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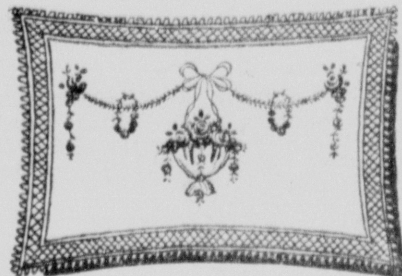
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## THE ONE PRICE DEPARTMENT STORE

There are just about 100 Dresses in stock—in white and colors—that we want to move prior to stock taking. They range in price from \$3.00 to \$30.00. They will be sold at 25% off. A lot of Wash Dresses, values from \$2.50 to \$3.75 are being sold at \$1.00. Just the dress for House wear.

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We have reduced

\$6.00 Pumps to \$4.50

5.00 Pumps to 3.75

4.00 Pumps to 3.00

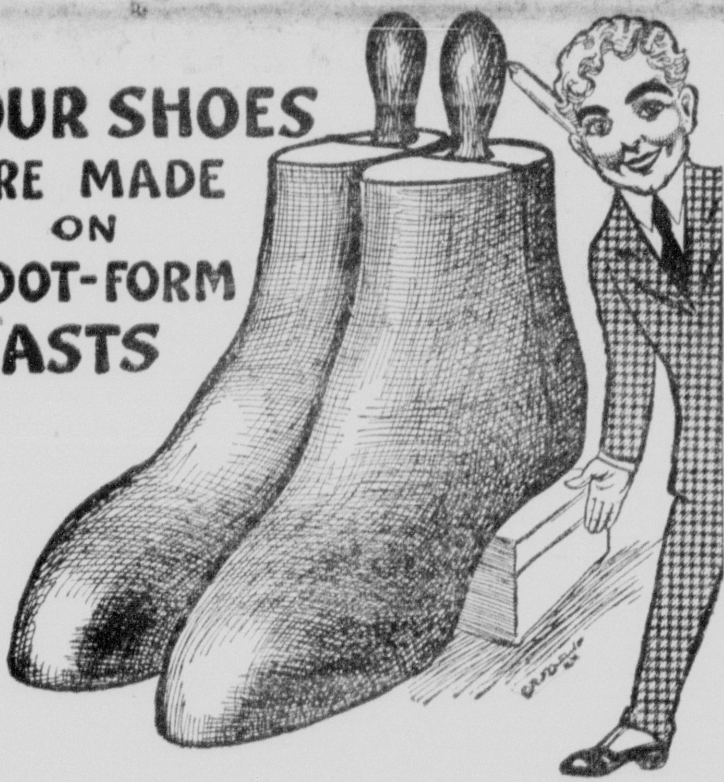
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Come in and let us slip a pair of our "classy" shoes on you, we know you'll be pleased with our shoes and satisfied with the price.

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## APPAM IS NOT PRIZE SAYS FEDERAL COURT

BELONGS TO BRITISH OWNERS  
BECAUSE BROUGHT TO  
NEUTRAL WATERS BY  
THE CAPTORS.

By Associated Press.

Norfolk, Va., July 29.—Federal Judge Waddill today decided libel proceedings for the possession of the captured British liner Appam in favor of the English owners and against the German prize crew which brought her here. The court held that the German government lost all claims when it brought the Appam into the neutral waters of Hampton Roads for the purpose of "laying up" the vessel indefinitely.

May Have to be Interned.

Washington, July 29.—The federal court decision at Norfolk holding that the Appam is not a prize ship confronts the United States government with the problem of what to do with Lieut. Berg and the crew which brought in the ship. Generally speaking, Berg and his men are a part of the German naval forces and might have to be interned until the close of the war.

JUDGMENT WAS SUSTAINED.

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., July 29.—The judgment in favor of E. B. Spiller, secretary of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association, against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad for \$150,000 in excessive freight claims was sustained by the United States district court today after the railroad had appealed from the ruling of the interstate commerce commission.

ASKED FOR CLEMENCY.

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 29.—By a vote of 46 to 19 the senate today adopted a resolution requesting President Wilson to transmit to the British government an expression of hope that it would exercise clemency in the treatment of Irish political prisoners. The senate overturned the majority report of the foreign relations committee and followed the course outlined by the minority report.

BASEBALL GOSSIP.

Chicago experts advise keeping an eye on the White Sox. Nothing doing. It's a waste of weight.

Ah, gravity! Manager Fielder Jones, of the Browns, points out that his team still has 17 games to play with the Mackmen.

Not the least perplexing angle of the Cincinnati-New York trade was the fact that "Old Master" Mathewson asked to be traded to the Reds.

With Tommy Leach, Arthur Devlin and Charlie Dooin pastime with their team, Rochester folk can have a regular "Old Home Week" celebration.

Rube Marquard, the Brooklyn twirler, has about abandoned hopes of duplicating last season's batting performance. In 1915 Rube hit for .109, or fifty points above his present average.

"Home Run" Baker had just reached 13 in the season's stolen base record when he crashed into the grandstand or fell into the Yanks' dugout, or met with some other disastrous mishap that put him out of the game.

Manager "Smiling Bill" Donovan will have to rely upon his mascot and bat boy to bring home the pennant, if the Yankee's stars continue to fall by the wayside as a result of injuries.

"Buck" Herzog has certainly been the finest kind of trading material for the Giants. With the former Cincinnati pilot again in a Giant uniform, McGraw must be about ready to put over another big deal.

Members of the "pioneer society" are deeply interested in the work of Comrade Fred Beebe with the Cleveland Indians. Comrade Beebe must be the oldest pitcher wearing big yard spangles, since he was born Dec. 31, the last day of the year.

American league records for the past fifteen years show that the Athletics top the league in the number of games won. Now they are trying to clinch the record in the number of games lost.

It is said the Pirates are willing to trade Max Carey if a club can be found that will take Maximilian and his four-ply contract, said contract being smeared with big figures calling for regular money.

Although it gets them nothing, Cleveland fans may find a little comfort in the old wheeze about "it's better to have been up there once than never to have been there at all."

Fred Luderus, the Phillies' first baseman, is said to hit the ball as hard as any man in the game. But the fielders won't allow Frede to hit 'em out for enough.

Captain Johnny Evers of the Braves would lead a fairly happy existence if it wasn't for baseball league presidents, baseball umpires and such.

## VICTORY REMAINS WITH THE ENTENTE

ITALIAN ARMED MERCHANTMAN  
FOUGHT GERMAN SUB-  
MARINE AND THEN  
GOT AWAY.

By Associated Press.

British troops yesterday made progress north of Pozieres and near High wood. Two German attacks against Delville wood were repulsed. London announces. The Paris statement says that two German detachments which attempted to reach the French lines west of Verdun were repulsed. The French checked two German attacks near Fleury in the Verdun sector. Petrograd announces the capture of 20,000 on the eastern front, including 400 officers. The Austro-Germans were driven back on the whole front from Kovel to Brody.

A Doughty Defender.

Rome, July 29.—The Re d'Italia, a 6000-ton vessel of Italian registry, attacked by a Teutonic submarine at 9 o'clock on the morning of July 23 while the steamer was on a voyage to New York, used her defense guns to good advantage and drove the submarine away. She then proceeded on her voyage.

Another Zeppelin Raid.

London, July 29.—Three Zeppelin dirigibles participated in a raid this morning on the east coast of England. It was officially announced this afternoon. There were no casualties.

Captured British Steamship.

Berlin, July 29.—A German auxiliary cruiser on July 27, after an engagement with the armed British ship Eskimo, captured the vessel and brought her to port, according to the German admiralty statement. The encounter took place fifteen miles southeast of Arendal, a Norwegian port.

Turkish Atrocities Increase.

Washington, July 29.—Information that Turkish atrocities in Armenia are worse than ever led the state department to consider making new representations to the Turkish government. No reply has been received to those made a month ago.

NORTHWESTERN TENNIS  
TOURNAMENT.

St. Paul, Minn., July 29.—A splendid array of tennis talent appeared on the turf courts at Deephaven, Lake Minnetonka, today for the preliminary play in the twenty-seventh annual tournament to decide the championships of the Northwestern Lawn Tennis association. Play will continue through the coming week. The titles in men's and women's singles and doubles and mixed doubles will be determined. The winning team in the men's doubles will have the privilege of competing in the preliminary national doubles championship at Chicago next month.

NASHVILLE BISHOP 75 YEARS  
OLD.

Nashville, Tenn., July 29.—Rt. Rev. Thomas Sebastian Byrne, bishop of the Catholic diocese of Nashville, was the recipient of many congratulations today on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday anniversary. The venerable Bishop is known as one of the most learned prelates of the church in America and is the author of many books and pamphlets on religious subjects. He was born at Hamilton, O., and received his early education at the famous seminary at Bardonia, Ky., completing his theological studies at the North American College in Rome. Previous to becoming bishop of Nashville in 1894 he had served for many years as rector of St. Mary's Seminary of the West.

TO BREAK THE NEWS TO  
HUGHES.

New York, July 29.—The big event of the coming week in political circles will be the Republican notification meeting in this city Monday. Those in charge of the arrangements are leaving no stone unturned that will insure a large and enthusiastic demonstration. Carnegie Hall has been selected as the place where the faithful from far and near will gather to hear Mr. Hughes formally notified that he is the presidential nominee on the Republican ticket. It will be the first general gathering of the clans, and the managers hope to make it a get-together affair which will bring all factions solidly behind the Hughes ticket. The Progressives will be given an important role. The chief features of the program will be the notification address by Senator Warren G. Harding of Ohio and the address of acceptance by Mr. Hughes. At the conclusion of the ceremonies the party leaders and invited guests will adjourn to the Hotel Astor, where Mr. Hughes will hold a public reception.

## EXPLODED BOMBS UNDER THE MENACE

ANTI-CATHOLIC PAPER IN MIS-  
SOURI WAS TARGET FOR  
EXPLOSIVES THIS  
MORNING.

By Associated Press.

Springfield, Mo., July 29.—Three bombs were exploded beneath the floor of the Menace Publishing Company's plant at Aurora, Mo., early this morning, which slightly damaged the plant and set fire to a mass of copies of the Menace, an anti-Catholic publication, just off the press. The damage is estimated at \$1,000.

HIS CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT.

By Associated Press.

Belton, Texas, July 29.—Gov. Ferguson spent \$3,400.42 in his campaign for re-nomination, according to his expense account filed today.

HEAT WILL CONTINUE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 29.—Continuation of the excessive heat now spreading over the central part of the country until tomorrow and an extension to the North Atlantic states was forecast today by the weather. The temperature ranged from 96 to 102 degrees today in the plains states.

INFANTILE EPIDEMIC WORSE.

By Associated Press.

New York, July 29.—A new record in the infantile paralysis epidemic was set today with 44 deaths during the last 24 hours.

Canada Has Quarantine.

Ottawa, Canada, July 29.—The Canadian government today placed a quarantine on children under 16 years of age coming from New York City and vicinity, as a bar against the introduction of infantile paralysis into the Dominion.

AMBASSADOR PAGE COMING  
HOME.

London, July 29.—Walter Hines Page, the American ambassador to the Court of St. James, sails for the United States today on a month's leave of absence. While the primary purpose of his trip is to obtain a much-needed vacation, the first he has had in three years, it is understood also that he will confer with the State Department at Washington on the recent "blacklist" and other questions that have arisen between the United States and England as a result of the war. The Ambassador is accompanied on his trip by Mrs. Page.

BIBLE CONFERENCE AT LAKE  
ORION.

Lake Orion, Mich., July 29.—With Bible teachers and students from all parts of the country in attendance, the Lake Orion International Bible Conference and Christian Workers' Institute was opened today and will be continued until Aug. 6. The present meeting marks the resumption of the conference after a suspension of several years. Many well known religious leaders from various parts of the United States, with several from South America, Australia and other foreign lands, are on the program.

GOLFERS GATHER AT MIN-  
NEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Minn., July 29.—Leading golfers of the West, representing clubs from every part of the territory lying between the Mississippi River and Salt Lake City, are gathering today preparatory to the opening of the annual championship tournament of the Trans-Mississippi Golf association, which will get under way on the links of the Interlachen Club Monday morning. The large and high class entry list gives promise of one of the best successful tournaments ever conducted by the association. Alden Swift of St. Joseph, Mo., winner of last year's tournament, will be on hand to defend his title.

IT DIDN'T WORK.

Judge—Prisoner at the bar, have you anything to say for yourself?  
Prisoner—Yes, your honor, I admit I'm a vagabond and a thief, but you ought to be very thankful I'm here and let me out lightly.  
Judge—How do you make that out?  
Prisoner—Well, suppose we went on a strike and all turned honest, what would your honor do for a living?  
Judge (severely)—Um—five years imprisonment.

## STATEMENT OF THE LAREDO NATIONAL BANK

LAREDO, TEXAS.

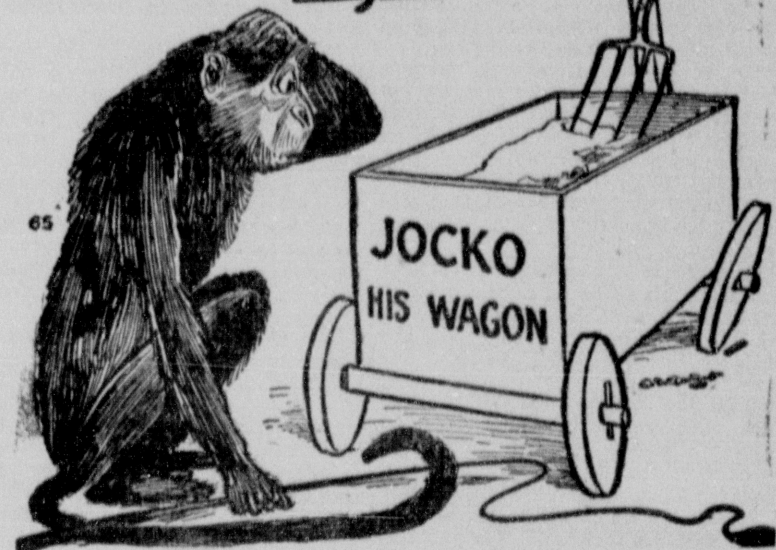
At the Close of Business, June 30, 1916, as rendered to the Comptroller of the Currency  
CONDENSED.

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts.....\$ 733,513.43	Capital Stock.....\$ 200,000.00
Bank Building, Furniture and Fixtures..... 46,484.86	Surplus Fund..... 50,000.00
United States Bonds..... 165,000.00	Undivided Profits, net..... 96,213.33
Other Bonds and Securities..... 2,072.00	Circulation..... 150,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank..... 7,500.00	Deposits..... 840,484.43
Cash and Exchange..... 382,127.47	
Total.....\$1,336,697.76	Total.....\$1,336,697.76

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B. M. ALEXANDER, Vice President.

SAM W. BROWN, Cashier.  
P. W. BUTTRON, Asst. Cashier.

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Vaudeville: Bull Fights tonight by LES BERLETTES (last time.) First show 8 p. m.; second 9:30 p. m.

Pictures starting at 2 p. m.: Holbrook Blinn in "THE WEAKNESS OF MAN"—Brady-made—five parts. Also Ford Weekly.

Tomorrow: Triangle Plays—Wm. H. Thompson and Charles Ray in "THE DIVIDEND," five parts, and "HER PAINTED HERO," Triangle.

Keystone comedy in two parts.

Monday: "THE CITY OF ILLUSION," five parts, and Missouri National Guard pictures taken at Nevada, Mo.

MATINEE 5 AND 10 CENTS.

NIGHT—LOWER FLOOR 15; BALCONY 10 CENTS.

CHILDREN 10; CHILDREN 5 CENTS.

BOX SEATS 20 CENTS.

NOTE:—Soldiers in uniform 10 cents any seat except boxes.



From Friday's Daily.

**ANTI-PREPAREDNESS.**

There are two classes of anti-preparedness advocates in the United States: Those timid souls who believe that their very defenselessness will prevent an enemy from attacking them, and the German agents whose interests are involved in keeping our country from any action looking to preparedness.

One of these latter—who insults the name of American by claiming to be an American citizen, pays in a recent article in *The Fatherland*—the official organ of the German emperor in the United States—the following tribute to the nation he was so anxious to adopt: "There are one hundred millions of us in these United States—millions most of them are the feet of the conqueror, probably left Germany to get away from militarism. It is not too much to say that he probably had 'cold feet.' His advocacy of shameful surrender rather than preparation for defense would indicate it.

But he goes too far when he charges that the only reason why the National Guard is now on the border is because Wall street ordered it so that stocks and bonds might bring in a greater profit, and that the powder trust might reap a benefit from it.

He says: "In the heat of the moment the militiamen are on the march to the tropical deserts of Chihuahua. Many of them will never return." The militiamen are no doubt grateful for his sympathy, but so far we have seen no Guardsmen who are anxious to give up the trip to the "tropical deserts of Chihuahua." Some of them, convinced in their own minds that there is little prospect that they will be sent to Mexico, are asking for their discharges. But not because of the "tropical heat" or the danger.

The Wall street charge serves many ends. When the great cry of protest went up from a civilized world at the foul assassination of the women and children aboard the *Lusitania*, the *Fatherland* made the statement that it was Wall street that was responsible for the denunciation of the German murderers.

When the would-be assassin of Morgan killed himself in jail rather than face a trial for his crime, again it was Wall street who caused the death of this "martyr" to a "holy cause."

When the people of the United States became aroused to their defenseless condition and demanded preparation that they might not be a greater and a more devastated Belgium, the cry of "Wall street is back of the defense program" was raised.

Now it seems that the National Guardsmen were sent to the border by the rulers of Wall street. If that is really so, the people on the border owe an everlasting debt to Wall street. For without the presence of the Guardsmen, there is no telling where the next blow of the Mexican bandits might have been struck. And it is significant that at no place where the garrison was of sufficient strength to meet an attack has there been a further incursion of the Mexicans.

The German-hyphen-American slops all over himself in his pity for the starving families of the Guardsmen. But this sympathy is wasted, for the government has granted permission to every Guardsman who can prove that he has a dependent family to ask for—and receive—his discharge.

According to this brilliant and truthful (?) write, many of the Guardsmen, frightened at the treatment that others received for refusing to take the federal oath of service, basely "deserted their dependents and wives and children and went to the Mexican border."

Listen to that, you Guardsmen! How many of you were "frightened" at the idea that you would be disgracefully dismissed the service and come along to the border rather than be disciplined?

This argument is so plainly "made in Germany" that no one can be expected to take it seriously. Like some of the other goods of the same make, its glue is so poor that it won't stick together, and the paint on it is apt to wash off in the first rain.

**OUR NEW PURCHASE.**

It is getting costly for anything but a first-class power to keep up foreign colonies, and perhaps that is one of the reasons why Denmark was brought to lend a willing ear to our proposal to buy the Caribbean Islands of St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John. And the price probably had something to do with the sale, for Denmark is not in any too good financial condition at present, and twenty-five millions is undoubtedly far more than any other country would have been willing to pay for the islands, even had our government been willing to permit the purchase.

Lying to the east of Porto Rico and closer to the Panama Canal than any of our great Eastern ports, the islands will form a naval base of great value to this country. Great Britain has a great naval base at Jamaica, and this new base of ours will neutralize the Kingston base.

Several times has our government tried to purchase the Danish islands, but always unsuccessfully. It was charged that our latest failure to get the islands was due to the influence of Germany, whose representations caused the Danish government to withdraw from the agreement before the treaty was signed.

The Monroe doctrine stands in the way of their purchase by any European power, and that is probably the reason why Germany interfered with our deal some years ago. If she could not have them, she was determined that we should not get them.

Residents of the islands will hail with joy the purchase by the United States. Since the beginning of the European war the islands have become almost the usual marine commerce which formed the backbone of the island trade, and Danish capitalists, as well as the Danish govern-

ment, have refused to come to the aid of the islanders, and the laboring classes are constantly demanding higher wages for their work, which the employers are unable to pay because of existing conditions.

The establishment of a great naval base on St. Thomas Bay, which is said to be one of the finest natural harbors in the world, will be a blessing to the working people of the islands. The plantations have suffered for lack of shipping to convey their products abroad, and there has been no public work of any sort since the European war began.

The islands lie in the track of the terrible West Indies hurricanes, which cause such havoc as far north as our Atlantic coast. Yet there has never been any great devastation due to the storms on the Danish islands, with the exception of the destruction of standing crops and comparatively few houses, mainly of the poorer class.

Charlotte Amalie, the principal commercial town, has a population of but few thousands, but the business done there in normal times is enormous when compared to the population.

There is little commercial gain to be expected from the new purchase. The islands are small, having an area of but 133 square miles, and the population is estimated at 30,000. There is no county in Texas of so small an area, and few who have not greater population.

But as a naval base protecting the Panama Canal the acquisition of the islands will add greatly to our naval strength, and although the price is a high one, it is not doubt justified by the importance of the possession.

In the same latitude as Santo Domingo, the climate is apt to be enervating to the white race, although our people have successfully lived in the Philippine group in even lower latitudes.

With the beginning of the work on the naval base, the islands will become attractive to American tourists seeking new scenes, and the great archipelago extending from the Florida coast in a great arc to Venezuela will no doubt witness the arrival of many new faces, led into traveling through the blue Caribbean by the presence of still another far-flung outpost of the United States.

The negro who confessed to the killing of a trained nurse in a suburb of Dallas may be telling the truth. If this murder is cleared up it will be the first for a long time, and Dallas stands a chance of having a real murderer hung to offset the many who go free.

Senator Reed of Missouri had a real inspiration when he proposed that the National Guardsmen should be permitted to vote at camps in the coming presidential election. It shows that he is a student of history and remembers that the federal soldiers voted in camps during the sixties. But alas! the amendment was stricken out.

If those El Paso county voters are solid against submission the question may not be so clearly settled on the side of the prohibitionists as has been thought. El Paso has over 3,000 votes, and without that county submission now has a majority of 2,346. Time will tell.

It now seems probable that Sir Roger Casement will not be "battered to make a Cockney holiday." The execution will be private, and the public will not have a chance to see his spurs hacked off by a butcher's cleaver and the rest of the quaint ceremonies of a past age.

**PRaises THE LAREDO CAMPS AND SAYS THEY ARE SANITARY**

**TRAVELING MAN SAYS LAREDO CAMPS SURPASS ALL OTHERS**

**Both From Location and Layout and the General Hygienic Conditions That Surround the Men Here.**

Visitors in Laredo who have gone out to where the camps of the Maine, Missouri and New Hampshire National Guard are located in the northern part of Laredo, pronounce the camps the best of any they have seen elsewhere, San Antonio not excepted, despite the fact that in the Alamo City the militiamen are encamped in a regularly-constituted military camp, Fort Sam Houston.

A traveling man who has within the past few weeks visited the cities of El Paso, Eagle Pass, Brownsville, McAllen, Mercedes and other places where militia camps are located, had this to say after he took an auto spin yesterday afternoon through the Laredo camps: "Why, the militia camps here have all others 'skinned a country block,' as the saying goes. The regulations here are better enforced, the camps are laid off in a more orderly manner and the sanitary conditions that prevail far surpass those of any other temporary, and most of the regular, camps along the Texas border."

Many similar remarks praising the Laredo camps are heard from visitors. One of the militia officers said today: "In every letter that I have written to my folks at home and to my friends in different places I have put in a good word for Laredo and its people, the hospitality shown the national guardsmen and the ideal camps which have been provided for the soldiery by the people of Laredo. I believe I express the sentiment of most of the officers and men of the three state militia contingents stationed here when I say that more ideal, sanitary and generally hygienic camps than anywhere."

And all these things merely go to offset the deliberate falsehoods which some newspaper correspondents and some chronic kickers among the men send "back home" to the effect that "sanitary conditions at Laredo are on the blink."

**CONDITIONS ARE DEPLORABLE AND GRADUALLY GET WORSE**

**LACK OF CONFIDENCE IS APPARENT EVERYWHERE IN MEXICO**

Some Industrial Plants Resume on Small Scale, But Owners Apparently Fear De Facto Government.

Parties arriving here from Central and Southern Mexico bring conflicting reports as to conditions generally in those sections, some asserting that numerous industrial plants, believing that the threatened break between Mexico and the United States is past history, are operating on a small scale, while others say the commercial life of the whole republic is so demoralized that it can not get worse and it will take many years for Mexico to recuperate from the effects of the internal disorders that have disrupted the physical and moral life of the country and put its industrial and commercial life at its lowest ebb.

Discontent is apparent on every hand in the larger commercial centers of Mexico, the business men of the places appear skeptical of the de facto government being able to provide the protection assured, and in fact in most places the military are unable to control the rowdiness and general lawlessness that exists among the peon classes, who have never actually been controlled by any ruler since the days of Porfirio Diaz, the grand old man who ruled Mexico with an iron hand and by his inexorable treatment of the element that were undeserving of sympathy he held them within the confines of law and order, though consoling his peon class and they work out their treachery behind closed doors or in the dark.

Some of the recent arrivals from Mexico contend that Villa has as great a following as Carranza in Mexico; that in fact the supposed-to-be Carrancistas are in reality supporters of General Obregon and other military leaders and not of Carranza, and that these leaders alone are responsible for the soldiery appearing seemingly loyal to the head of the de facto government. On many occasions Carranza is said to have sent orders to some of the military officers and got the report, "We are taking our orders from Obregon" or words similarly applied, which proves, says the party relating the story, that Carranza is only a secondary consideration in Mexico and is in reality not the man who guides the destinies of Mexico.

"The mines, smelters and other industrial plants of Mexico are not using the Carranza currency to any extent," said an American who recently came from Central Mexico, "for they know not how long this stuff will be worth the paper it is printed on. Many issues of currency have been printed in Mexico and soon as it became well circulated, was repudiated by the government or declared counterfeit. All employees of industrial plants, and in fact those who work anywhere in the republic, express a preference to be paid in Mexican gold or silver, though the latter is a very scarce article—in fact Mexican silver is almost 'extinct' now."

From the different interviews had with recent arrivals from Mexico it could appear that conditions, deplorable as they are already, are gradually becoming worse in old Mexico, and the people are in a state where confidence is a lacking quality in every line of endeavor and a game of waiting is on.

**COUNTY CONVENTION SATURDAY**

County Democratic Executive Committee Will Be Chosen and Delegates Selected to All Conventions.

Tomorrow evening, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, in the district court room at the county courthouse, will be held a county convention of the Democrats of Webb county, those qualified to sit as delegates being the precinct delegates elected at the primaries last Saturday held in the various precincts of the county.

At the county convention tomorrow evening a county executive committee, headed by J. R. Moore, who was elected county chairman last Saturday, will be selected. Delegates will also be chosen at the county convention to represent Webb county at the various conventions to be held later, including the state convention at Houston, the congressional representative, district and other conventions which will be held within the next few weeks.

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**LITTLE LOCALS**

—Laredo is to have another motion picture show—an air dome, and work of construction is already under way. The new show will be located at the corner of Convent Avenue and Farragut street and is being erected by M. Little, owner of the lot. Who will operate the picture show has not been learned.

—One of the largest crowds of militiamen who were ever assembled at one time on Jarvis Plaza were in evidence there last night at about 8 o'clock. It is estimated there were between 1,000 and 1,500 men "stretched out" or lying on the lawn there, while many more filled the settees or walked about the inner and outer walks. The other plazas also had good-sized crowds of militiamen.

—The letter written by District Attorney Valls to Governor Ferguson in reply to the "beans spilled" by Ambassador Arredondo, and which was published in yesterday's Times attracted considerable attention and Laredo's able district attorney, who is a learned man and very conservative in his manner, was the recipient of much praise and commendation for his Americanism and outspoken loyalty shown.

—The "bull fight" produced by the two finely trained dogs carried by "Les Berleymes," who are giving vaudeville shows at the Royal Theatre, was loudly applauded by the thousand or more militiamen present last night. The "bull fight" was a novelty to the men, and the fact that the stunt was pulled off by two dogs representing miniature bulls, brought forth approval by applauding.

—Sam of the New Hampshire boys thought that they surely "had 'em" yesterday afternoon. They were wandering along when a Mexican with an armadillo tied to a chain halted nearby and began to converse with a comrade. The soldiers strutted along and almost stumbled over the armadillo. Observing the animal closely, one said: "Hic! go golly there's a raccoon with a shell on."

—There is a persistent rumor in circulation to the effect that within the next few days several thousand more soldiers (including colored troops) will be sent to Laredo to augment those already here. One rumor even says that some Indians are also destined for station at Laredo.

—The militiamen here are getting all kinds of practice these days, beginning with hikes of from four to six miles each morning, then customary regulation drill and then going through other morning exercise. Generally after one of the long hikes and a good amount of drilling the men have a rapacious appetite.

**COMPARATIVELY FEW KICKERS.**

Nearly All the Men in Militia Camps Here Are Perfectly Satisfied With Campfire and Surroundings.

While there are a few men among the militiamen here who are desirous of getting out of the army service, and therefore naturally get up on the wrong side of the bed in the morning with a full-fledged "grouch," there are many others who are satisfied with their lot and arise in the morning with veritable "Taft smiles" illumining their features.

Some of the soldier boys have taken a delight in getting kodak views of Laredo and their camp and surroundings and have written interesting descriptions of all these to the folks back home; and then there are a few others who have written to their folks and vented all their literary abilities in giving unfavorable reports—these are the ones with the "grouch," but are small in number. But when one considers the fact that there are about nine thousand militiamen here it is naturally expected there are a few chronic kickers among the crowd.

**NOT FLATTERED.**

An old Scotch woman, who had resisted all the entreaties of her friends to have her photograph taken, and who was at last induced to consent in order that she might send her likeness to her son in America, is the heroine of the following anecdote.

On receiving the first proof she failed to recognize the figure thereon represented as herself; so, card in hand, she set out for the artist's studio.

"Is that me?" she queried.

"Yes, madam!" replied the artist.

"And is it like me?" she again asked.

"Yes, madam, it's a speaking like mine."

"A weel!" she said resignedly. "It's a humblin' sight!"—The Bits.

**BRITISH DEMANDING SAFETY OF SUPPLIES**

**WILLING TO PERMIT IMPORTATION OF FOOD PROVIDED THE ARMIES DO NOT SEIZE IT.**

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 28.—Informal assurances that Austria-Hungary is disposed to respond favorably to President Wilson's appeal for permission for shipment of American relief supplies to territory held by the Austrian forces in Poland were given personally by Foreign Minister Burian to Ambassador Penfield. Ambassador Page received from the British foreign office a statement that Great Britain is willing to allow the importation of foodstuffs when administered by an American commission appointed by President Wilson and when assurances are given that the Austrian armies will not confiscate them. This condition, it is feared, may block negotiations.

The British proposal will be referred at once to Germany and Austria-Hungary to learn whether the conditions implied will be acceptable to them.

**TO GET NEW EQUIPMENT.**

Guardmen on Border to Be Equipped as Well as Regular Forces.

By Associated Press.

San Antonio, July 28.—By August first, all state troops in the southern department, now doing duty on the Mexican border, will be fully equipped with new paraphernalia and accoutrements if the present rate of inspecting the federalized national guard is continued.

General Funston intends to replace, it was announced from Fort Sam Houston, all inferior equipment of the state troops with new supplies from the general stores, so that the guardsmen "may go anywhere with the regulars." The quartermasters department and ordnance department, as well, have been busy during the last week issuing equipment, consisting of uniforms, guns, and tents, have been moving out of San Antonio for the past three weeks. Past inspection of the state troops at Fort Sam Houston has also been done under the supervision of Lieutenant Colonel George O. Cress, inspector general of the southern department.

After passing inspection each company is reported to the war department as ready to take the field.

**TO TRY SANDY HOOK SWIM.**

New York, July 28.—Robert Dowling, the 19-year-old local long distance swimmer, who last summer covered the thirty-four miles around Manhattan Island in 13 hours 45 minutes, tomorrow will attempt to swim from the Battery to Sandy Hook and back.

The one-way trip has only been accomplished so far by five men, and the record stands to the credit of George Meehan of Boston, at 7 hours 18 minutes.

No swimmer has ever accomplished the task of covering the distance both ways. The feat is especially difficult because of tidal conditions, which makes it a test of speed, as well as of endurance. Success hinges upon the ability of the swimmer to complete the downward leg on the ebbing current, the upward on the flooding, for it is beyond human power to beat the tide once it has set in the direction opposite to the swimmer's course. This means holding a fast pace continuously for about fourteen hours.

**FOREST NOTES.**

Coniferous timber has been found to be better suited than any other for the production of ethyl alcohol.

There are 592 consumers of tannin in the United States who use annual 625,000 cords of hemlock bark, 290,000 cords of oak bark, and 380,000 cords of chestnut wood.

Experts of the Forest Service estimate that the farm woodlots of the United States contain from 200 to 300 billion board feet of lumber and from one to one-and-a-half billion cords of wood.

On some of the National Forests of the Northwest the snow lay on the ground longer this spring than for many years. In consequence stockmen have been considerably delayed in setting their herds on the ranges.

All of the 28 counties of Utah contain portions of National Forests and consequently all share in the 25 per cent of the National Forest receipts which is paid over to the road and school funds. This is true of no other State.

One hundred thirty thousand maps of the National Forests will be distributed to tourists this summer. These maps show the best camping places, good hunting and fishing grounds, roads, trails, and telephone lines, and give directions how to reach points of interest.

Imports Light Yesterday.

Imports from Mexico through the port of Laredo yesterday were comparatively light to what they have been the past few days. The imports, yesterday consisted of twelve carloads of alumina, nine carloads of lime, three carloads of bones, two carloads of miscellaneous goods and one carload of cattle.

**WINNER AND LOSER.**

"Where's your little brother?"

"He hurt himself."

"How?"

"We were seeing who could lean out of the window the farthest and he won."

**RUSSIANS DOING EFFECTIVE WORK**

**CLEANED GERMAN TRENCHES AND TOOK SOME PRISONERS IN THE CHAMPAGNE DISTRICT.**

By Associated Press.

Russians reconnoitering at Auberville in Champagne, says the French official statement, penetrated the German trenches and cleared them with hand grenades. The Russians took some prisoners. A German attempt near Lihons, north of Chaunies, was arrested by French infantry fire. On the right bank of the Meuse in the Verdun region German preparations to attack Thiaumont were stopped by artillery fire. British troops captured the entire village of Delville, London announced this afternoon. All the Germans defending the positions were driven out. Berlin claims that strong British attacks against German positions in Fougereux wood in the Somme have broken down under German fire. A Havas Saloniki despatch says the Serbians have begun an offensive against the Bulgarians in Greece, occupying a series of heights and maintaining their positions despite Bulgarian counter attacks. The Russians continue to advance successfully in southern Volhynia, Petrograd announces, saying also that the Russian Caucasian army is advancing.

Attacks by two Russian army corps on German positions near Baranovich were delivered yesterday, but failed to gain ground. The battle is still in progress, Berlin announced this afternoon. The Russians resumed their attacks in southern Volhynia and pierced General von Linsingen's lines north of Svinichy but are being vigorously counter attacked by Germans.

**Defense Would Not Act.**

London, July 28.—When the court of criminal appeals met today to hear a "possible application" on behalf of Sir Roger Casement, sentenced to death for high treason, it was found that the defense did not contemplate any action.

**Sank British Boats.**

Berlin, July 28.—In a naval battle between German submarines and four British patrol boats off the coast of Scotland, two British vessels were sunk, according to the Overseas News Agency.

**Honored Belgian Girl.**

Paris, July 28.—At a special ceremonial today in the British embassy, Emilienne Moreau, an 18-year old girl known as "the heroine of Loos," was presented with a British medal for bravery and the order of St. John of Jerusalem. She tended the wounded under fire for 24 hours.

**Corroborated Statement.**

Norfolk, Va., July 28.—Corroboration of the statement of officers of the battleship Louisiana that they saw a cruiser within the Virginia capes last Tuesday came today from Commander Shane of the United States collier Neptune. He said he could not identify the cruiser, but saw her leaving the capes about three o'clock.

**IRISH M. P. ACCUSED.**

London, July 28.—Accused of attempting by false pretenses to obtain admission to the detention barracks at Knutsford, where Irish prisoners alleged to have been concerned in the recent rebellion are being held, Laurence Ginnell, Irish member of parliament, was arraigned in the Bow Street police court today for a hearing. Ginnell is well known for his sympathies with the Irish cause. When the excitement over the recent rebellion was at its height he addressed many questions in the House of Commons to ministers, and invariably alleged that his countrymen who had been arrested were mistreated.

**LONG-DISTANCE POWER BOAT RACE.**

New York, July 28.—All arrangements have been completed for the New York-to-New England power boat race, which is to have its start tomorrow from Whortleberry island. The finish will be at the Boston Yacht Club station at Marblehead, Mass.

The race will be the first of its kind for nearly seven years, and the New Yorkers who have planned it have made the conditions such that it will be a real contest from start to finish. A time limit of twenty hours has been placed on the express cruiser class, and a limit of forty hours on the cruising class. This means that the express cruisers, measuring not less than 35 feet on the water line and not over 70 feet, must make the 275 nautical miles, over the shoals and around Cape Cod to Marblehead, at a speed of better than 13 miles an hour. The boats will race on time allowances figured by the American Power Boat Association.

**Engages in Business Here.**

Joe Henry Hodges, who left here a year or more ago, has returned to Laredo to engage in business and has rented a room in the Royal Theatre. Joe Henry is now selling da peanut and popcorn for a da living and he says dat wid a da machine he habba da zona maka da big business in Laredo. He grinda da peanut nighta an day and he maka da popcorn when he seea da trade come his way.

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**ROLLING MILLS ARE CLOSED IN CHICAGO**

**MEN REFUSED TO GO TO WORK IN INTENSE HEAT AND MANY DEATHS ARE REPORTED.**

By Associated Press.

Chicago, July 28.—Workmen in the rolling mills, where the temperature has been raging from 140 to 160 degrees, refused to go to work today on account of the intense heat. Two large mills closed. The temperature at noon was 95 degrees. Deaths from heat are gradually increasing in number, 25 being reported to the police this morning.

**Some Relief from Heat.**

New York, July 28.—There was some relief in the heat wave over New York today when the humidity took a sudden drop, although the temperature only fell slightly.

**SUBMISSION LEAD LOWERED.**

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, July 28.—Partial returns from DeWitt and Eastland counties, received late last night, changed the figures on submission. The total now stands. For 161,753; against 159,319.

**EPIDEMIC IS UNCHECKED.**

By Associated Press.

New York, July 28.—The infantile paralysis epidemic remains unchecked. Thirty-five deaths and 134 new cases were reported during the last 24 hours.

**QUARANTINE LIFTED.**

By Associated Press.

Brownsville, Texas, July 28.—The quarantine on the Oklahoma National Guard camp on account of one case of measles in Company M was lifted today with the exception of the company where the case was found.

**NO INTEREST IN ECLIPSE**

Washington, D. C., July 28.—According to the astronomers of the Naval Observatory little or no scientific interest attaches to the eclipse of the sun which is to take place tomorrow. The eclipse will not be visible in the United States, the central line being in the Southern Pacific, crossing the islands of Australia and Tasmania. It will be an annular eclipse, that is an observer in the central line will see the moon projected on the sun, leaving an un-eclipsed ring around it.

**BIRTHDAY OF NEW ORLEANS PRELATE.**

New Orleans, La., July 28.—The Most Rev. James H. Blenk, head of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of New Orleans, attained his sixtieth birthday anniversary today. The Archbishop is a native of Bavaria and accompanied his parents to the United States in boyhood. Five years after his ordination to the priesthood he became president of Jefferson College, a convent in this city. In 1899 he was chosen bishop of Porto Rico and seven years later he was named to succeed the late Archbishop Chapelle as head of the New Orleans archdiocese.

**ACTION BY EDWIN GOULD.**

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., July 28.—Hearing was resumed before Surrogate Ostrander today in the proceedings seeking the removal of Mrs. Lida M. Fleitmann of New York as administratrix of the estate of F. Augustus Heinze, the "Copper King" and one-time banker who died in 1914. The proceedings were instituted by Edwin Gould of New York, who has a judgment of more than \$1,000,000 against the estate. The judgment was obtained in an action to recover on a note alleged to have been given by Mr. Heinze. Mr. Gould alleges in his complaint that Mrs. Fleitmann has claimed as hers personal property which Mr. Gould maintains maintains should be a part of the assets of the Heinze estate.

**IS CALLED TO MEXICO CITY.**

General Reynaldo de la Garza Called to the Mexican Capital to Participate in Big Conference.

Upon receipt of telegraphic instructions from Mexico City to come to the capital immediately to participate in a conference of Carranza commanders to be held there, General Reynaldo de la Garza, military commander of the garrison of Nuevo Laredo, left the city over the way last evening bound for the Mexican capital.

It is reported that quite a number of Mexican commanders are now in conference in Mexico City conferring on certain matters called to their attention by the first chief, but what these are was not intimated in the dispatches received by the Carranza officials in Nuevo Laredo.

**OTHERWISE, NOTHIN' DON'.**

Its Governor Ferguson by a Majority of fifty thousand or more, Culberson will tackle the runoff, with Colquhoun as opposition. McClernore and Garrett wrestle for first choice in list of congressmen at large. Submission is still the choice of the people. The Robertson Law is not to be tinkered with.—San Marcos Times.

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## LITTLE LOCALS

—Many of the soldier boys here who have kodaks keep them busy snapping views of Laredo. In the Mexican quarter of the city they get pictures of patios, about homes, of the barred windows, etc., all something novel and bizarre to them and not to be seen in their far-away home town. And when they go home they will explain the pictures to the folks back home.

—Three soldiers astride three burros were standing on the edge of the banks of the Rio Grande yesterday and along came a "kodaker" and snapped their likenesses. Sitting in attitudes simulating Napoleon marching to Moscow, the pictures will tell that the militiamen were "on Mexican aeroplanes about to make a flight to Mexico."

—The dates on the big palm in Jarvis Plaza are maturing fast now and the beautiful golden fruit is one of the greatest attractions Laredo now has for visitors from faraway. Mayor McComb is proud of the tree and says when the fruit is fully matured he will pull it and distribute Laredo dates among the militiamen so that they may send it home as a souvenir of Laredo.

—Socially speaking, the soldier boys have daily "lawn parties" in Jarvis Plaza, and while the militiamen lounge on the grass and enjoy themselves resting from the day's work, they don't have refreshments there, but repair to nearby "refreshment parlors" late in the afternoon "just as the sun goes down."

—About half the summer season has waned now and many persons so far have not had an opportunity to take their summer vacations, but low round-trip rates are in effect until the last day of September, so there is plenty of time yet for many to take a recreation trip to the mountains or seashore.

—The importations through this port yesterday afternoon from Mexico consisted of five carloads of ixite, one carload of bones and one carload of miscellaneous articles.

—In the district court yesterday afternoon the civil case of Murray Raymond vs. Mary Irene Raymond, suit for divorce, was heard and divorce was granted the plaintiff.

—The Palafox land suit case is now on in district court and the array of legal talent that is involved in the trial keeps the attorneys busy. H. G. Dickinson, attorney for Thomas O'Connor at the trial, is pitted against the legal fraternities of Laredo, Corpus Christi, San Antonio and several other places, and Judge Ed. H. Weeks patiently sits on the "bench" and listens to the proceedings.

—It is reported that, weather permitting, the Second Maine Regimental Band (or rather the University of Maine Band) will give a concert on Jarvis Plaza Saturday evening.

—A marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report to Domingo Vicente Diaz and Miss Concepcion Peña.

## JESUS BENAVIDES IS DEAD

The Man Who Conducted the "Monte Carlo" of Nuevo Laredo Has Made His Last Deal and "Cashed In."

Jesus Benavides, better known to many Laredo "knights of the green cloth" as the head of the "Monte Carlo" of Nuevo Laredo, is no more—he has made his last shuffle, the last deal has been dealt and now, in the eternal jackpot, Jesus is "sizing up the pile." Jesus Benavides, the old man who conducted the roulette wheel, the monte game, the crap game, etc., where men spent their week's earnings in one night and repented afterwards, has "passed in his checks."

The old man, well known to all who enjoyed the diversions offered in his resort in Nuevo Laredo, passed away at his home, 502 Matamoros St. early this morning following an attack of paralysis. For many years Jesus Benavides conducted a veritable "Monte Carlo" in Nuevo Laredo, continuing this business up to the time that the Carrancistas took possession of the burg over the way. Don Jesus owned the building now occupied as the municipal building in Nuevo Laredo, but, as he was a sympathizer of Huerta, he bled from the town when the Carrancistas took charge and never worried about demanding rent for his building.

## NO PRIMARIES IN ZAPATA.

That County Again Switched This Year and Will Go Solidly Republican; Last Year It Was Democrat.

Keeping space with Duval county, which held primaries last Saturday and cast a solid vote for certain Democratic candidates, while their opponents, (with the exception of Culberson, who broke the unanimity with one vote), received no consideration, Zapata county is this year aligned with the Republicans and did not hold Democratic primaries last Saturday.

A note received from County Judge A. P. Spohn this morning had the laconic statement: "Nothing doing; no primaries." This practically means that old Zapata has again changed its coat, and this year it will no doubt cast a solid Republican vote—last year it cast a solid Democratic vote. The Republican burro exchange courtesies down there, it seems, and one rules one year and the other the next year.

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## SOCIETY

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## SOCIAL CALENDAR.

## Thursday.

The Thursday Sewing Club met with Mrs. Yesner at four o'clock in the afternoon.

## Friday.

Red Cross Sewing Circle A will meet with Mrs. A. C. Richter at nine o'clock in the morning.

Red Cross Circles C and D will meet with Mrs. J. W. Mussett at nine o'clock in the morning.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the church at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Misses Belle and Lillian Westbrook will entertain the Girls Swimming Club at nine o'clock in the morning.

The girls will give a return dance to the boys at ten o'clock in the evening at Elks Hall.

Boy Scout Rally Song.  
(Dedicated to the Boy Scouts of America, by Charles W. Hubner.)

As close as ivy tendrils twine,  
Around the oak's proud form,  
And thus become a part of him,  
In sunshine and in storm.

So we, thy sons, America!  
Our country free and great!  
Enfold thee with our loving arms,  
To share with thee thy fate.

Grow with thy strength and flourish  
In  
The sunshine of thine eye;  
Or should the lightning shatter thee,  
Cling to the wreck and die.

Forever one in weal or woe,  
Of thine own life a part,  
America! give us thy love,  
As we give thee our heart.

## General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster and two little sons returned home yesterday from Corpus Christi, where they spent the past six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Pender have returned from a business trip to San Antonio, where they spent a busy week.

Mrs. Young, wife of Lieutenant Young of the Engineering Corps of the Ninth Infantry will arrive today, and will stop at the home of Mrs. W. W. MacGregor.

Mrs. C. I. Nelson of Kansas City, Missouri, arrived yesterday to join her husband, who is stationed at the Missouri Camp, and is staying with Mrs. Pennell.

It is very pleasing to note the improved appearance of Jarvis Plaza these past few days. The grass has been cut, and it has been cleaned, and there have been a number of improvements contemplated. The work is being done by the Civic Department of the Women's Club.

## Announcements.

Red Cross Sewing Circle A will meet with Mrs. A. C. Richter at nine o'clock Friday morning. Every member who has assisted in this circle is urged to attend as a little surprise is in store for them.

## Entertainment.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Trout entertained with a lawn party and smoker, complimenting the second Maine Orchestra. Iced watermelon was served during the evening, and a most delightful time was enjoyed by all.

## Red Cross Notes.

Red Cross Class in First Aid met yesterday morning at Elks' Hall with Dr. J. T. Ward as instructor. The subject of the lesson was "bandages." Several kinds were taken up, spinal and figure-eight being demonstrated. The work shown was exceedingly interesting and there was a very good attendance.

Mrs. Pennell reports a larger attendance of militia-men at the water depot last evening than at any previous time. This work of giving pure cold water to the soldiers is being kept up, and a number of ladies have joined in helping Mrs. Pennell serve the water to the men.

## POLITE CONVERSATION.

There were some visitors at the door, and, as mother was not just ready to make her appearance, Johnny was told to let them in and show them to the parlor.

This he did, and while they all waited for mother to finish doing up her back hair, the small boy sat very still and embarrassed.

Presently, seeing the visitors taking stealthy glances around the cosy little room, he remarked politely:

"Well, what do you think of our furniture?"

## Why Endure Summer Colds?

It isn't necessary to have a stuffed head, running nose, to cough your head off as it were. All you need do is to use Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. The soothing and healing balsams open the clogged air passages and in a short time you get relief and start on the road to recovery. Your nose stops running, you cough less and you know you are getting better. Get a bottle, use as directed. Keep what is left as a cough and cold insurance.

Mr. Went-And-Cut-It  
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The New Plan Corn Cure That's as Sure as the Rising Sun.

"Glad to meet you!" says the razor to the corn. "I'll bleed for you!" says the corn to the razor. Razors and corns love each other. Corns love to be cut.



"Why, O Why, Did I Do It? 'Gets-It' for Me After This—If I Live!"

be cut, picked, gouged, salved, plastered and jerked out,—they grow faster. Mr. and Mrs. Went-And-Cut-It realize it now,—they use "Gets-It!" instead—it's the wonderful, simple corn-cure that never fails. Stops itching. You apply it in 2 seconds, it dries at once, the corn is doomed. Nothing to stick to the stocking or press on the corn. It means good-night to plasters, salves, diggers, razors and toe-bundling. You can wear smaller shoes. Your corns will come right off, "clean as a whistle." Never inflames healthy flesh. The world's biggest selling corn cure. "Gets-It" is sold by druggists everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Sold in Laredo and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by Flavio Vargas.

## NEVADA REPUBLICANS CONFIDENT.

Reno, Nev., July 27.—The Nevada primaries, which are to be held one week from next Tuesday, will be the signal for the real opening of the bitterest political campaign in the history of the Sagebrush State. For months the Republicans have been mustering their forces, otherwise preparing for the great drive that is to have as its chief object the ousting of Key Pittman from the United States senate and the seating of a Republican in his place. Back of the fight is one of the strangest and most fascinating political stories ever conceived.

When Senator George S. Nixon, Republican, partner of George Wingfield, millionaire mine owner and banker of Nevada, died in 1912, the then Governor of Nevada, Tasker L. Oddie, offered the toga to Wingfield, who, for some reason known only to himself, refused it. W. A. Massey, of Reno, a former supreme justice of the State, was appointed to fill the vacancy, which, under the law, would be held at the presidential election in 1912.

Massey became the Republican candidate to succeed himself and Key Pittman, who had been defeated by Senator Nixon in the campaign of 1910, became the Democratic candidate.

There waged a bitter political campaign. Pittman is said to have spent a vast sum of money which he had but a few months before acquired in the phenomenal rise in Tonopah-Merger stock, of which he held something like 250,000 shares. He purchased a daily newspaper in Tonopah, his home city, acquired another in Ely, and is said to have given financial assistance to others in various parts of the State.

Pittman's publicity was one of the marvels of the campaign. Senator Massey, with limited means, made a personal canvass throughout the State. Behind him were the Wingfield interests, powerful and wealthy, and it was hinted that before the campaign was concluded the money bags would be opened.

Then a strange thing is said to have occurred. Suddenly there appeared in Reno and other parts of Nevada a swarm of Burns' detectives. It was publicly given out that these detectives had been shadowing the Massey politicians and at the first sign of money being spread by any of the interests behind Massey's campaign arrests would follow.

According to general rumor at the time it was Pittman's money that paid for the detectives. When the votes were counted a few days later Pittman was elected by 89 votes, a narrow majority, but sufficient to put him in the United States senate.

Two years ago when Senator Newlands' term of office expired he was opposed by Sam Pratt, of Carson, Republican, former United States district attorney and owner of a Carson newspaper. There ensued another hard-fought campaign and when the smoke of battle rolled away Senator Newlands had been returned to office by a bare majority of 40 votes, one-half Pittman's majority of 89.

The narrow majorities of Pittman and Newlands form but one of the factors upon which are based the Republican hope for success this year. Under the amendment to the constitution adopted in 1914, women have been given the rights of the ballot in Nevada. It is estimated that some 14,000 of them will exercise the privilege next November and the Republicans are claiming the most of their votes. The Democrats refused to recognize this new voting element in naming their delegates to St. Louis, but the Republicans named as one of the alternates Mrs. T. F. Moran, wife of a candidate for the State supreme court.

Some of the most influential interests in Nevada are expected to line up against the Democrats in the coming election. The sheep interests, which are very large, are opposed as usual to the Democratic tariff policy. The same is believed to be true as regards the sugar-beet interests. There is a considerable area in Nevada devoted to the sugar-beet, with a large sugar factory on the United States

## PERSONALS

O. Pratt of Enclinal is a visitor in the city.

S. A. James of Enclinal arrived in the city yesterday.

Chas. F. Eckert of Corpus Christi arrived in the city yesterday.

H. C. Franks, prominent railroad man of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday.

E. Denike left yesterday for Corpus Christi for a visit to his family, who are summering there.

B. W. Teagarden, Esq., of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday to attend the district court.

Wm. Aubrey, Esq., of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and is in attendance upon the district court.

BENDER.—F. M. Huggins, Meridian; Y. Garza Sada, Monterey; Wam-lac Tavish, San Antonio; Geo. S. Haley, New York; E. Robinson, San Antonio; J. S. Daugherty, Houston; D. J. Moran, Wm. Aubrey, J. E. O'Neil, San Antonio; Arnold Frack, Chicago, Ill.; A. D. Spelman, St. Louis; R. F. Stewart, Fort Worth; C. Jewell, Robt. Y. Adam, San Antonio; Charles F. Eckert, Corpus Christi; W. C. Wilcox, El Paso; W. G. Love, W. R. Snyder, San Antonio; F. M. Bati, St. Louis, Mo.; J. T. Bulkley, R. L. Guajardo, San Antonio; J. F. Bowell, Philadelphia; Fred A. Millander, Waco; James Otey, Houston; L. Cramin, San Antonio.

## JIMMY UP TO DATE.

Jimmy, an office boy in a downtown office, approached his boss one morning last week:

"If you please, sir."

"Well, Jimmy?"

"My grandmother, sir."

"Aha, your grandmother; go on, Jimmy."

"My grandmother and my mother—"

"What? And your mother, too. Both very ill, eh?"

"No, sir. My grandmother and my mother are going to the baseball game this afternoon and they want me to stay home and mind my little kid brother."

Jimmy got the afternoon off.

## GOOD ROADS DAY IN TENNESSEE

Nashville, Tenn., July 27.—Every able-bodied citizen in Tennessee, or a large proportion of them at any rate, is expected to take his pick and shovel in hand today and help in improving the roads in his community. In keeping with the idea expressed in Governor Rye's proclamation fixing it as Good Roads Day, Tennessee is very proud of the progress already made in the improvement of its highways and it hopes that within a few years it will have the finest system of roads to be found south of the Ohio River. Thirty million dollars has been spent in the State for road improvements in the last fifteen years.

## A Two-Edged Sword.

It was decidedly frank of England to publish the list of American firms that are to be blacklisted because they have dared to trade with the Teutonic allies. As the boycott is at ways a two-edged sword, and England will not enhance her popularity in this country by such an open effort to restrain the rights of commerce with this country, as a neutral nation is entitled to exercise—Browns-ville Herald.

Biliousness and Stomach Trouble.

"Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach troubles and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbryske, Lima, Ohio. "I could eat very little food that agreed with me and I became so dizzy and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly." Obtainable everywhere.

## AMERICAN ENGINEER GOES TO ORIENT.

Seattle, Wash., July 27.—Judson R. West, who recently resigned his position as engineer of the port of Seattle, sails for China today to accept the post of professor of railroad engineering at the University of Poo Yang, at Tientsin. The university is the leading institution of learning in North China.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

Every family without exception should keep this preparation at hand during the hot weather of the summer months. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is worth many times its cost when needed and is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over. It has no superior for the purposes for which it is intended. Buy it now. Obtainable everywhere.

reclamation project at Fallon. The industry was hard hit by the Underwood-Simmons tariff. The factory closed down and many of the farmers dug up their beets. The Republicans are counting on the influence of these interests to aid them materially in winning a victory at the polls next November.

PROTEST AGAINST  
BLACKLIST CABLED

SAYS BLACKLIST OF AMERICAN FIRMS IS INVASION OF NEUTRAL RIGHTS OF OUR NATION.

## By Associated Press.

Washington, July 27.—A note to Great Britain objecting to the blacklisting of American business firms as "an invasion of neutral rights" was cabled to London last night by the state department. The communication discusses the principles involved and will not interfere with informal discussions between representatives of the two nations on individual cases. The officials hold that the blacklist injures American houses, in violation of international law.

## Attacked Submarine Base.

Berlin, July 27.—A German naval airship on July 25 attacked the main base for Russian British submarines at Marienhaven, it was officially announced today. The airship dropped 700 kilograms of explosives and returned safely.

Washington, July 27.—Senator Reed's amendment to the army appropriation bill to permit National Guardsmen to vote at camps in the coming presidential election was stricken out today on a point of order. An appeal was voted down.

Washington, July 27.—Senator Ambassador Cecil Spring-Rice informed Acting Secretary Polk today that he had received a message from the admiral commanding the British Atlantic fleet denying that a British warship entered Chesapeake Bay, as reported by the commander of the battleship Louisiana.

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From Wednesday's Daily.

#### THE BRITISH BLACKLIST.

We read of the British blacklist of American firms who have sold goods to the Teutons and naturally we feel sore about it. We wonder what can be done without going to the extreme of declaring war against the allies, and we feel still sorer when we are told by the authorities on international law that we can do nothing—that the British are well within their rights in blacklisting any firms they dislike because they have been hostile to the allied cause.

After all, what is a blacklist? It is an agreement to buy no more, in this instance, from certain firms who have, or are alleged to have, sold goods to the enemies of those making the agreement. What redress is there? What redress, for that matter, is there against any blacklist? In 1894 the combined railroad employees of the country joined an organization which the promoters said was going to solve all the problems of the workmen. No more "chain gang," no more extra hours without extra pay, no more oppression of labor by capital. The strike that followed was lost by the workmen, because there were enough who did not belong to the organization, or who deliberately withdrew from it when their bread and butter was threatened, to make the strike futile.

Then the railroads proceeded to show the workmen what real organization was. They secured the names of the most prominent men in the union and blacklisted them. The men were refused their old jobs back, and when they applied to other railroads they found that there was "no vacancy." The blacklist was effective, and not for several years afterward could some of the railroad men find employment at their trades.

Any attempt to prove that there was a blacklist proved futile. The men had officials cited by the courts to show cause why they should not be employed, only to discover that there was no evidence that could be accepted by a court that any blacklist existed.

In the present case, the blacklist is openly declared to be in force. There is no law in this country which will compel an English firm to buy goods from a firm in the United States. Even the Standard Oil would not attempt to use our government as a club to force the purchase of goods by a foreign firm that does not want to buy them. Money is all powerful and political influence goes for naught against such a boycott.

There is no remedy against such a state of affairs except to refuse to sell goods to an English firm. This seems poor consolation, but it is the absolute truth. And sooner or later those who established the blacklist will be the sufferers, provided the firms now blacklisted stick to an agreement never to sell to a British firm.

There may be Germans in this country patriotic enough to cut their commercial throats by such an agreement. There may even be American firms who will refuse in future to do any trading with the English people, but only by refusing to agree to a reciprocal arrangement can a blacklist be met when it is between two countries.

Were the blacklist to be established by residents of the United States, our laws could take cognizance of such a violation of the laws. But so far no method has been devised by which international "law" can be enforced. It is merely a "gentleman's agreement," by which the people of one nation agree to respect the rights of another nation, the agreement being capable of abrogation whenever the people of either nation see fit.

There is a great deal of worry over nothing, it would seem. If the blacklisted firms find it to their advantage to deal with the Teutons there should be a greater market than ever during the past two years for their goods, if the German reports of the successful launching of the new commercial submarine enterprise are to be taken into account.

And those who have done no trading with the Germans should be able to convince the British authorities of that fact, in which case their names will be removed from the blacklist. But no American court has any jurisdiction over the British or the Germans or any other people.

#### A NEGRO OUTRAGE.

The news that the Eighth Illinois Infantry, a negro regiment, is coming to Laredo, while not official, has been received, and the people of our city will regret such a disposition of the negroes who almost started a race riot in San Antonio.

The Illinois negroes are not accustomed to the South and its ways, and the first trouble began when several of them refused to occupy the seats provided for them in the street cars, defying a policeman who was called to eject them and otherwise conducting themselves in an offensive manner.

Then later they stoned a lawyer of New Braunfels who was riding in his automobile past their camp, and began to stone the provost guard of the Nineteenth United States Infantry which had been sent to quell the disturbance. As a consequence four of the negroes were shot and wounded by the guards and the remainder were driven to their camp.

When the negro Guardsmen first came to San Antonio, Gen. Funston admonished both the negroes and the citizens of San Antonio to avoid any speech or conduct that might incite a clash between members of the two races. So far the citizens have refrained from starting any trouble, but

it seems that the negro soldiers are not disposed to avert clashes.

Laredo has had but one trouble with negro soldiers, and that was promptly subdued. We have less acquaintance with the negroes than most parts of the South, and those of the African race who live here have always been well treated and have behaved themselves.

One trouble with these Illinois negroes is that they come South with a deliberate intention of "proving to the white folks that they are as good as anyone." They demanded the white passengers' seats in street cars, although they know very well that in every part of the South a negro must ride in his own section of the car or walk. In addition, the law requiring seats for negro passengers to be marked is carefully observed all over Texas.

Those who seek trouble are certain to find it, and these negro Guardsmen in San Antonio received a sharp and salutary lesson. Of course, it is not at all certain that all of the Eighth Illinois are as evilly disposed as the rioters who precipitated the trouble. There were not more than thirty, according to the most reliable accounts, who engaged in the affray, and their officers have expressed regret as to the occurrence, although not making any detailed statement until after the investigation to be held.

Should the negro troops be sent here, the citizens of Laredo will not molest them in any way, and it will be their own fault if there is any friction between them and the white people. Neither the Americans nor the Mexicans of Laredo are of the trouble-breeding sort, and the troops will be given every opportunity to show that they are well-behaved and well-disposed toward the residents of our city.

Naturally, the first charge made is that the negroes who started the trouble were drunk. That being the case, they should have been confined to camp, at least, and not permitted to go into the city. There is rarely any difficulty on the part of a regular army officer in controlling the men of his command, and the Guardsmen now in Laredo have shown themselves to be equally under discipline.

Most of the so-called race troubles begin with the negroes. They are apt to go about with a chip on their shoulder, looking for someone who denies that they are as good as the white folks. Naturally this sort of conduct is irritating, and when one of the negroes oversteps the line he is apt to suffer.

At the same time, the white people should remember that they are looked to for a strict observance of the law, and that a white man who lowers himself by picking a fight with a negro is not much, if any, better than the negro. In this way much trouble can be avoided, and if the Eighth Illinois should come to Laredo they will be left to work out their own salvation.

The death of twenty-two men in a tunnel under Lake Erie shows the dangerous course that people have to accept to secure decent drinking water. And yet some people have the nerve to criticize the water which is supplied to the Guardsmen in Laredo without any danger to anyone, even in drinking it.

Now listen to Joe Boehmer crow! Gen. Bliss says the camps in Eagle Pass are the best he has seen so far, as there are practically no cases on the sick list. Undoubtedly the Guardsmen up there have been inoculated with the Eagle Pass torpidity and they won't know they are sick for several weeks to come.

When one considers that we only paid Mexico \$15,000,000 for the relinquishment of all claims on Texas and for a quit-claim deed to Arizona, New Mexico and California, it seems surprising that we should be willing to pay \$25,000,000 for a few fly specks on the map like the Danish West Indies. Perhaps it is because there are no revolutionists there.

Laredo certainly is healthy. We have some thousands of Guardsmen here, and the only death among them was due to an accidental drowning. Yet some of those far-off people in the North are terrified at the thought of their relatives living in this terrible (?) climate.

#### The Texas Wey.

The copious rains of the past few days have been of material benefit to crops all over Texas. There are now few spots which have not a season in the ground sufficient for all purposes. Agricultural agents report that crops while somewhat late will be fully up to the average. Texas always makes crops enough for ordinary needs, but Texas people like luxury and the extravagance too well to be satisfied with actual necessities.

These rains will permit the usual indulgence in these things to which the farmers of other parts are strangers.—Houston Post.



## Every Glass a Handful of Health

**E**ACH golden drop of BUDWEISER is alive and sparkling with the vital energy of Northern Barley and the tonic vigor of Saazer Hops. Because of its mildness and exquisite flavor it stands alone—the unchallenged sovereign of bottled beers. Its ever-growing popularity is proven by its sales, which exceed any other beer by millions of bottles. ANHEUSER-BUSCH-ST. LOUIS, USA.

**Budweiser**  
Means Moderation

S. N. Johnson Distributors Laredo, Texas

The express charges on the cheapest beer are just as high as on the best

#### NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 26.

George Bernard Shaw, most famous of Great Britain's dramatists and satirists, whose bitter criticism of England's course in the war has raised more than one storm in the "right little isle," is 60 years old today. Mr. Shaw was born in Dublin, July 26, 1856, and the place of his birth explains in some measure both his extraordinary native wit and the use he has made of it in pitiless satire of English life. The brilliant Irishman is a Socialist, a suffragist, and a vegetarian, and his sympathies are as a matter of principle engaged on the side which goes against the grain of venerated British institutions. As a literary critic his keenest sport has been to demolish sacred reputations, notably that of Shakespeare. His books have been translated into the languages of all civilized countries, and his rank as a writer of satirical drama is unsurpassed. He has often been compared for the biting sarcasm of his satire to the great French classic Moliere. As keen and daring a pen as Mr. Shaw's would naturally bring any man into trouble in war time, and his latest comedy, entitled "O'Flaherty V. C.," and telling of the real impressions of an Irish hero decorated with the Victoria Cross at the front, has been suppressed by the British censor.

#### JUDGMENT FOR MRS. BENAVIDES

For Second Time She Recovers Partial Judgment in Suit Against J. T. Rosetti, Trespass to Try Title.

Yesterday in the district court, with Judge Ed. H. Weeks of San Antonio sitting as special judge, the case of Mrs. Lila G. Benavides vs. John T. Rosetti, a trespass to try title suit was disposed of, when judgment was rendered in behalf of Mrs. Benavides for one-half of a lot on which a portion of the Strand Theatre is located, being part of lot 5, in block 41, W. D. However, as regarded her interest in Porcion No. 5, Webb county, for which plaintiff was also suing, she failed to recover judgment.

The case had previously been tried at the spring term of the court by Judge Weeks and judgment rendered in favor of the plaintiff, but a new trial was granted Rosetti and the judgment set aside, and consequently the second trial yesterday resulted.

#### Opportunity.

Thirty years ago Bernhard Blitzer arrived at Ellis Island, coming by steamer from Hungary, with 19 cents in his pocket. He invested the 19 cents in suspenders—did not wear, but to sell. When he had sold them he bought more. Eating and lodging were incidental and unimportant. Pretty soon he owned a pushcart. The other night Blitzer gave a dinner to his traveling salesmen at a big New York hotel and distributed \$15,000 as dinner favors. His wealth enables him to give away fortunes more easily than he could have spent pennies when he came. He made it mostly in electric fixtures—and there were no such thing in existence when he landed.—Orange Leader.

#### THIS DATE IN HISTORY

July 26.

1775—First post office established in North America, with Franklin as postmaster, the route extending from Falmouth, New England, to Savannah, Georgia.  
1815—United States secured treaty and indemnity from Tunis.  
1830—Charles X of France dissolved the newly elected Chamber of Deputies, suppressed the liberty of the press and altered the suffrage law, thereby giving rise to the revolution which cost him his throne.  
1863—Gen. Sam Houston, great Texas leader, died at the age of 70.  
1869—Church of Ireland dissolved by Gladstone's government.  
1890—Disastrous cyclone at Lawrence, Mass.  
1898—The Spanish Government, through Ambassador Cambon of France, asked the United States for terms of peace.  
1904—Battle of Port Arthur begun, with capture of Wolf Hill from the Russians by the Japanese.  
1912—Eight Detroit aldermen arrested for taking bribes.  
1911—Riot in Dublin, caused by attempt to intercept consignment of rifles for Irish Nationalist Volunteers; police and military fire on mob, killing four and wounding several.  
1915—THE WAR: Russians check movement on Warsaw by repulsing assault on fortress of Ivangorod and by driving back Germans who had crossed the River Narwa. Great Britain requests that reply to Washington be withheld from publication as she intends to send amended statement. Strongly fortified position of the Germans in Alsace, at an altitude of 650 feet, dominating advance trenches, captured by the French. Germans advance in region of the River Pig and north of the River Niemen.

#### Don't Need to Worry.

Chief Justice Phillips and Justice Yantis of the state supreme court are behaving admirably in the present campaign. Although they have opposition shelling the woods on the stump for voters, they refuse to take to the hustings. They don't think such actions—chimed and demonstrative of the dignity their elevated positions demand. The public thinks these estimable men do. Men of merit and qualification should be elevated to the supreme bench, politicians yelling prohibition and anti-prohibition should be escorted to the rear. They will be defeated by the voters, who recognize in Chief Justice Phillips and Justice Yantis strong men.—Beville Bee.

#### The Lucky Guy.

The Boston Advertiser says Postmaster General Albert Burleson was rescued from drowning, but we can't believe it. Albert has been constantly in the swim for twenty-five years, and we cling to the belief that when he was pulled out of the Potomac his pockets were full of fish.—Houston Post.

### REPORT OF GENERAL BLISS COMPLIMENTARY TO LAREDO IN HIS OFFICIAL REPORT HE PRAISES CAMPS HERE

Said Sanitary Conditions Are Excellent, But That Laredo Authorities Even Improving Them.

In his official report to the war department, or rather advices, following his inspection of the state troops stationed along the Texas border, Major General Tasker H. Bliss highly commends the efficiency of the militia camps at Laredo and praises the excellent sanitary and hygienic conditions which he found existing in the three separate camps here.

It is a known fact that here in Laredo the health conditions far surpass those of San Antonio or rather places where camps are maintained, as here at this time and since the coming of the militia there has been no sickness of a serious nature and no deaths among the soldiers, except one, and that was a member of the Maine camp, and he was accidentally drowned at San Ignacio on Saturday.

The following item regarding the inspection trip made by Major General Bliss, appearing under a Washington date, is of interest to the people of Laredo, and in fact the whole country, as it speaks volumes of praise for this section of country. The Washington item reads as follows:

"Major General Bliss advised the War Department today that he had completed inspections of the Missouri, New Hampshire and Maine Infantry camps at Laredo, Texas, and found health conditions excellent, less than 1 per cent of the command being in the hospital and no serious cases reported.

"The water supply, while abundant in all cases, General Bliss said, had to be boiled for drinking purposes but the Laredo authorities would take immediate steps to improve purification and rendering boiling unnecessary. The command was reported excellently sheltered with exception of two companies of the Fourth Missouri, for which new tents had been requisitioned. Regarding the food supply, the general said all officers interviewed by him had stated it was abundant in quantity and of excellent quality. He added that a general spirit of contentment existed among the men.

"The full report of Major General Bliss on his inspection of National Guardsmen in the Brownsville district, made public today at the War Department, says that in an inspection of all camps and more than 20,000 men, reports of inefficiency and bad rations were found to be wholly false. The one fault General Bliss found—and that, he says, is already remedied—was that during the first few days of the mobilization the food lacked variety. Many of the guardsmen, General Bliss reported, said their rations were better than the food they were accustomed to at home."

#### AN ANSWER

To J. O. Buenz Notice.

I read in the Laredo Times, issue of the 24th inst., your notice with reference to city taxes. Lots 6 and 7 of block 288 W. D., which I believe you allude to, appear delinquent for the years 1886, 1887, 1890 and 1891, as per records in this office. With regard to city tax collectors before 1906 I have nothing to say, as in that year I was elected to this office, which I have held continuously to date.

Respectfully yours,  
D. C. de LACHICA,  
City Tax Collector

#### DEATH OF LIC. AMADO GONZALES

Former Well Known Mexican Lawyer of Nuevo Laredo Passes Away in Monterey After Illness.

According to news contained in a telegram received in Nuevo Laredo this morning, Lic. Amado Gonzales, a former well known attorney of Nuevo Laredo, died in Monterey last night following a short illness.

Lawyer Gonzales formerly resided in Nuevo Laredo, where he enjoyed a lucrative practice, but after the overthrow of the Diaz government he removed to Monterey and there he had made his home the past five years.

#### Constipation and Indigestion.

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere.

#### GUARDSMEN SEEK DISCHARGES

Quite a Few of the Militiamen Here Are Taking Advantage of the "Dispensation" Clause to Get Out.

Since the militiamen of Maine, Missouri and New Hampshire came to Laredo to encamp, following mobilizations in their respective camps, a law was adopted pertaining to all national guardsmen in service that whereby it could be proven that they had families dependent upon them, they could make application through the proper channels and get honorable discharges from the federal service, into which all the national guard has been impressed.

In the three contingents of men here there are many who left their homes and loved ones to come to the border in the hopes that they could serve their country and flag, but now since things have become changed and the elusive dove of peace in Mexico flies back and forth and there seems a doubt that their services on a sanguinary field will be needed, many of the young men want to get out of the army.

Privates receive \$15 per month for their services in the army, and this is meager money to support a family on, although the family was willing to hazard chances of gaining a livelihood if their "boy," husband or father was to fight for his country. But now the men who came willing to the front when trouble threatened want to go back to their vocations, since it appears that all the hullabaloo amounts to nothing.

#### Barbershop Changes Location.

I wish to notify my friends and patrons that my barbershop now located on Flores Avenue will be changed to the east end of the Laredo National Bank building and will be opened in its new and handsome quarters on August 1. I will have every modern convenience, the best barber fixtures that the market affords and the most sanitary barber-shop in Laredo, including a tile floor. Give me a call.

MATEO LOPEZ,  
7-25-16.

#### Call for County Convention.

The Democratic County Convention of Webb County, composed of precinct delegates elected from the various election precincts of the county on Primary Election Day, July 22, 1916, will meet in the district court room in the County Court House in Laredo, Texas, on Monday night, July 29, 1916, at 8:30 o'clock, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and various District Conventions, electing a Democratic County Executive Committee for the ensuing two years, and for the transaction of any other business which may be properly brought before the meeting.

J. R. MOORE,

Chairman Dem. Ex. Com., Webb Co. Laredo, Texas, July 21, 1916.

7-26-16.

#### Should Sloan's Liniment Go Along?

Of course it should! For after a strenuous day when your muscles have been exercised to the limit an application of Sloan's Liniment will take the soreness and stiffness away and get you in fine shape for the morning. You should also use it for a sudden attack of toothache, stiff neck, backache, stings, bites and the many accidents that are incidental to a vacation. "We would as soon leave our baggage as go on a vacation or camp out without Sloan's Liniment." Writes one vacationist: "We use it for everything from mearms to toothache." Put a bottle in your bag, be prepared and have no regrets.

#### DR. H. M. AUSTIN NAMED.

Has Been Selected By Mayor McComb to Succeed Dr. O. J. Cook, Resigned as City Health Officer.

Dr. H. M. Austin has been appointed as city health officer by Mayor Robert McComb to succeed Dr. O. J. Cook, who has tendered his resignation, which becomes effective next Monday, August 1.

Dr. Cook has been city health officer here the past three years and has given the city valuable service at a time when it was badly needed and won the gratitude and thanks of those who realized what he had to contend with when Laredo was in the throes of a threatening epidemic.

#### MIGHT HAVE BEEN RIGHT, AFTER ALL.

Distinguished Out-of-Town Guest (speaking at a banquet)—Your beautiful little city appeals to me. As we came in on the train I remarked to my wife: "Ah, my dear, you and I ought to be living on the top of one of these magnificent hills."

Toastmaster (in hoarse whisper)—Go easy; we've got only two hills in town. The insane asylum is on one, and the sewage works on the other.—Exchange.

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## BRING REMAINS TO LAREDO AND THEN SEND THEM HOME

REMAINS OF PRIVATE HARDING, DROWNED IN RIVER SENT HOME

Funeral Procession This Forenoon and Noon Was One of the Saddest Ever Witnessed in This City.

The body of Private Reuben A. Harding of Co. E, Second Maine Infantry Regiment, who was drowned at San Ignacio on Saturday afternoon, was brought here last night on a motor truck accompanied by several of the Maine boys and taken to the Convery Undertaking Parlor. Later the body was prepared for shipment and was sent this afternoon to the home of deceased in Canton, Maine.

One of the Maine soldiers accompanying the remains to Laredo last night stated to the Times reporter that Harding had evidently been seized with cramps while in the water, as he disappeared from view very quickly and never again came to the surface. Despite the fact that search for the body was immediately begun it was not recovered until yesterday morning at a point about two miles down river from where the drowning occurred, and it was then in very shallow water. The drowning of their comrade caused a great shock to the other Maine boys who were bathing in the Rio Grande at the time.

On of the saddest and most impressive military funerals ever held in Laredo resulted when the remains of Private Harding were escorted to the railroad station. At 11 o'clock this forenoon the regimental staff of the Second Maine Infantry Regiment, headed by the Second Maine (University of Maine) Band, followed by Colonel Hume and staff and the machine gun platoon of the regiment, and also a firing squad, arrived at the Convery Undertaking Parlor, the band playing a funeral dirge as the procession wended its way from the Maine camp to the undertaking parlors. Arriving at the Convery establishment the procession halted and awaited the arrival of a caisson from the Ninth Infantry Camp.

About noon the caisson received the box and coffin containing the remains of Private Harding and began its march to the railroad station, the remains being accompanied by a squad of men from the company to which the deceased belonged, the regimental commander and staff and the regimental band, the latter being at the head of the procession and playing "Nearer My God to Thee." The machine gun company and firing squad also were in line.

Many tear-stained eyes watched that procession—many thought of the mother at home who had sent her son to the front to fight for his country and flag and who now awaited the coming of the remains of him who had met with a sad fate by drowning. All respect and reverence to the volunteer was uppermost in the minds of those who saw the regiment and the men of the command paying tribute to the private who had answered the last call—though some was not where bullets whizzed, where cannon balls ricocheted or where blood was spilled on the altar of his country—but who had met death while seemingly enjoying the pleasures of a bath in the serene Rio Grande.

At the depot there were tear-stained eyes among the regimental officers, among the company officers—among the private men of the firing squad who accompanied the remains of their comrade to the depot, there to begin the sad homeward journey. At the depot the casket was placed aboard the train, while standing nearby were Maine militiamen with bowed heads, while the band again played that sad and touching hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee." And the remains were sent on their way to Canton, Maine, there to be received by the mother, father and friends of Private Harding and consigned to their last resting place in Mother Earth. Peace to his ashes.

### Taking Big Chances.

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.

### POPE'S NAMEDAY OBSERVED.

Rome, July 25.—One of the largest bodies of Catholic pilgrims seen in Rome since the beginning of the war visited the Vatican today to participate in the observance of the nameday of Pope Benedict. This afternoon his Holiness received the members of the Sacred College when the usual good wishes of the prelates were extended.

## Don't Let a Cold Get a Good Start

The way to check a cold is to fight it from the first. Even the worst maladies often are easily conquered if attacked early enough. Colds may lead to asthma, bronchial troubles and pulmonary affections. In the treatment of these one of the first needs is to build up body resistance. Eckman's Alternative often has assisted in such upbuilding. As a treatment for the troubles named, it has been used for more than twenty years. And in many instances it has effected lasting relief.

As with any other medicine, it should be regarded only as a first aid to right care and hygienic living—and a safe one. For it contains no narcotics, opiates or habit-forming drugs of any sort.

At your druggist.

Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia.

## LITTLE LOCALS

—Camp Missouri will soon be one of the most model military camps in the country, and equipped with many conveniences for the men. The Y. M. C. A. and Knights of Columbus gymnasiums and reading rooms and the other apartments to be built there will all conduce to the pleasures and pastimes of the "show me" aggregation.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—Arrivals from Mexico say that conditions in the interior of the republic are most deplorable at this time, that many of the unemployed and poor are suffering from privations and people generally are discouraged. In some few places, however, a few of the smaller industrial plants have resumed operations after a suspension of a year or more.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-25-tf.

—It is very probable that the Fourth Missouri Infantry Band will give a band concert on Jarvis Plaza Thursday evening. A number of the band stated today that arrangements were being made to get the band in shape for that time.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf (Adv.)

—A revival meeting will begin at the First Methodist church next Sunday. Further announcement will be made.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf. (Adv.)

—The first death in the militia camps here resulted from drowning, and today, with full military honors, the unfortunate victim of the accident was taken to the railroad station and sent home, there to be consigned to the deathless silence of the dreamless dust.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

—The city has disposed of the well-known "Black Maria," and has purchased a new auto car which is now in commission.

## LAND COMMISSIONER ROBINSON WILL NOT FORFEIT STATE LANDS

BECAUSE OF DROUGHT OWNERS BE GIVEN MORE TIME.

Considerate Action on Part of State Land Commissioner Will Give Purchasers Extension of Time.

The following letter is self-explanatory, and County Clerk Ambrosio Rodriguez makes it public for the knowledge of all who have purchased state lands:

On account of the extraordinary bad conditions in your county by reason of the drought, which has resulted in the loss of a great deal of stock, I have concluded not to forfeit lands in your county for non-payment of interest to November 1, 1915, as I have heretofore advertised I would do on August 15th. As to what time forfeitures will be declared I cannot now even suggest, but rest assured ample notice will be given owners in advance of such forfeiture for them to have plenty of time to pay their interest. I have not heretofore communicated this to your country for the reason some people might have been unkind enough to think I was postponing forfeitures in order to induce people in the counties affected to vote for me. As the election will be held tomorrow, I am sending this at the earliest date I could without your having received it before election. You are at liberty to have this letter pushed in your county papers, and I would also ask you to kindly inform your local banks so that they may inform such customers as would call upon them for loans with which to pay their interest.

Yours very truly,  
J. T. ROBINSON,  
Commissioner.

## FAMILY AVOIDS SERIOUS SICKNESS

By Being Constantly Supplied With Theford's Black-Draught.

McDuff, Va.—"I suffered for several years," says Mrs. J. B. Whitaker, of this place, "with sick headache, and stomach trouble."

Ten years ago a friend told me to try Theford's Black-Draught, which I did, and I found it to be the best family medicine for young and old.

I keep Black-Draught on hand all the time now, and when my children feel a little bad, they ask me for a dose, and it does them more good than any medicine they ever tried.

We never have a long spell of sickness in our family, since we commenced using Black-Draught.

Theford's Black-Draught is purely vegetable, and has been found to regulate weak stomachs, aid digestion, relieve indigestion, colic, wind, nausea, headache, sick stomach, and similar symptoms.

It has been in constant use for more than 70 years, and has benefited more than a million people.

Your druggist sells and recommends Black-Draught. Price only 25c. Get a package to-day.

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## SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt Editor Phone 70

### SOCIAL CALENDAR.

#### Tuesday.

Red Cross Sewing Circles C and D will meet at the home of Mrs. J. W. Mussett at nine o'clock in the morning.

Ladies Night at the Ninth Infantry Club in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor Society will have a business meeting at the church this evening.

#### Wednesday.

Red Cross Class in First Aid will meet at Elks Hall at nine o'clock in the morning.

Mrs. M. T. Cogley will entertain the Nullo Club at half after nine o'clock in the morning.

Rev. Chas. W. Cook and Furney Muller will leave today for Rio Grande City on a business trip.

Mr. C. M. Fish returned yesterday from a short stay in Corpus Christi.

Miss Zenaida Salinas and her mother, Mrs. Montalvo, returned yesterday from a visit in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. J. R. Moore and daughter returned yesterday from Corpus Christi.

Mrs. D. F. Anderson is substituting as organist for the Travis Park Methodist church, San Antonio, for Miss Mildred Gates, who is in New York. Mrs. Anderson's playing was a revelation to the San Antonio people.

Miss Miriam Werner expects to leave on Thursday night for a visit with her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Crouse, in Washington, and Chester, Nova Scotia, and will be away for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Mann and children expect to leave today for Reagan Wells for a visit.

Mrs. C. H. Bell, accompanied by Mrs. Percy Ince, left today at noon for Mineral Wells.

Mrs. Fletcher Smith and son Lamar have returned from a visit to relatives in Robstown.

Mr. and Mrs. Almon Perkins and daughter Ferol have returned from a visit to relatives in Goliad.

Miss Margaret MacGregor will return home today, after spending the week-end with relatives in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Harvey Dibrell of Seguin left for her home on Sunday, after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Sam Mackin.

#### Christian Endeavor.

The Christian Endeavor Society held its regular meeting at the Christian church Sunday evening. Miss Madge Barlow was the leader and the subject of the lesson was "Enthusiasm." A number of interesting talks were made by the Guardsmen present. The meeting on next Sunday will be conducted by the Guardsmen. There was a good attendance.

#### B. Y. P. U.

The B. Y. P. U. held its regular weekly meeting on Sunday evening with Miss Olivette Landrum as leader. The subject of the lesson was "May I Expect God to Take Care of Me When Danger Threatens?" Paul's Call Into Service.

Mr. M. Sallee  
Paul Cared for by God in His Early Ministry  
Sanchez Giddins

Mr. Kurn  
Paul on His Second Missionary Journey  
Mr. Abshear

Paul on His Third Missionary Journey  
Miss Minnie Burr

Paul on His Way to Rome  
Mr. R. Bodett

#### Benediction.

There was a large attendance.

#### Splash and Lawn Party.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lobdell entertained most delightfully last evening with a splash and lawn party, complimenting the Misses Mackin and their house-guest, Miss Alma Dibrell of Seguin. The party motored to the Lobdell home, and after a jolly swim in the pool, the hostess served delicious refreshments consisting of punch, chicken and ham sandwiches, cheese straws, sweet wafers, olives, ice-cream and cake. The young people whiffed away several hours most pleasantly in dancing. A number of beautiful songs were also sung. Chairs and swings were placed under the wide-spreading gallery for the guests. Those to enjoy the hospitality of the evening were: The honorees, Captain and Mrs. Read, Dr. and Mrs. Haisell, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. DaCamara, Captain and Mrs. Sirmeyer, Mesdames Mackin, James, Slaughter, V. S. Oberfeldt, King; Misses Clarice Ryan, Louise Muller, Helen Richter, Olivia Schultz, Marzelle Boone, Maxime Taylor, Courtney Slaughter, Lillian and Belle Westbrook, Helen and Catherine MacGregor, Col. Kennon, Major Heavey, Captain Smith, Captain Fern, Lieutenants Leavenworth, Wogan, Moore, Wingate, Stephenson, Montgomery, Larabee; Messrs. Dave Chaille, Prinz Buttrick, Carlos Richter and Jack Lobdell.

#### EXPERT DIAGNOSIS.

Doctor—Well, and how did you find yourself this morning?

Patient—Oh, I just opened my eyes, and there I was—Purple Cow.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Webb.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County, greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon J. J. Wells, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Webb County, to be held at the Court-house thereof in Laredo, on the 11th Monday after the First Monday in September, A. D. 1916, the same being the 20th day of November, 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 18th day of October, 1915, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court, No. 3950, wherein Annie B. Wells is plaintiff and J. J. Wells, is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were married December 14th, 1914, in the County of Webb, that the marriage bonds still exist between plaintiff and defendant. That on the 21st day of April, A. D. 1915, defendant violently struck plaintiff with his hand and knocked plaintiff down and violently slapped her in the face and threatened that if plaintiff left him that he would take her life and otherwise inflicted upon plaintiff great pain. That since the 21st of April, 1915, this plaintiff has not lived with defendant. That during the time plaintiff lived with defendant her conduct toward him was that of a loving and dutiful wife. That defendant's actions towards plaintiff were so unreasonable, antagonistic and cruel as to render their living together as wife and husband insupportable. That plaintiff has for more than one year resided in the State of Texas, and for more than six months next preceding the filing of this petition, been a resident of Webb County, Texas.

Wherefore plaintiff prays that the marriage bonds existing between she and defendant be in all things dissolved, and that she be granted a divorce, that she have judgment for costs and general and special relief. HERIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court on the First day of the next term thereof this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness E. E. OCHOA, Clerk of the District Court of Webb County, Texas. Given under my hand and seal of said court at office in the City of Laredo, Texas, this 17th day of July, A. D. 1916.

ELISEO E. OCHOA, Clerk of the District Court of Webb County, Texas. Issued this 17th day of July, A. D. 1916.

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DISCONCERTING CANDOR.

Surgeon (to patient he is about to operate on)—Well, old chap, if I don't see you again, here's luck—Puck.

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## BERLIN CONFESSES RUSSIAN VICTORY

### BRITISH AND FRENCH ARE STILL PROGRESSING THOUGH GERMAN BELITTLE THE SUCCESSES.

#### By Associated Press.

British troops captured the greater part of the village of Pozieres, says the London statement. The Germans brought up reinforcements of infantry and guns, but the counter attacks were everywhere repulsed. On the south bank of the Somme yesterday the French captured a block of houses south of Estrees and drove the Germans out of the trenches north of Vermandevillers, says the Paris combined attack made yesterday north of the Somme broke down. A second German bulletin announces that the Russians penetrated the German first line on a small part of the front defended by von Linsingen's troops. The Petrograd statement says that Russian detachments have already reached positions ten miles from the Turkish fortified town of Erizan.

Defends British Blacklist. London, July 25.—Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, defended the British blacklist from American criticism in the house of commons today, saying that the act was designed to cut off those who had been openly hostile to England. If any firms had been unjustly included, he said, remedial steps would be taken.

FIRE LOSS \$100,000.

By Associated Press. Wichita, Kan., July 25.—Fire destroyed the warehouse of the McFall Transfer Company today with a loss of \$100,000.

EAGLE PASS CAMPS BEST.

By Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—Gen. Bliss, reporting to the war department after inspection of the camps at Eagle Pass, said on the whole these were the best he has seen, with practically none on the sick list.

CONVENTION OF MOTORCYCLISTS.

Providence, R. I., July 25.—Every train and boat arriving in Providence today brought its quota of delegates in visitors to the annual national convention and assembly of the Federation of American Motorcyclists, which is to hold forth here during the remainder of this week. The attendance and enthusiasm recall to the old-timers the days when the national meets of the League of American Wheelmen were among the largest yearly gatherings held in this country.

Members of the reception committee today met each train and boat and gave all possible information to the visitors. Hundreds of the arrivals brought their motorcycles along, and baggage-rooms of railroad stations and hotels looked like some mammoth cycle clearing-house.

The election of officers, the selection of the next meeting place, and the consideration of a number of changes proposed for the by-laws of the federation will occupy attention of the delegates at their business sessions. Between sessions there will be numerous features of entertainment provided for the visitors. Of most interest, however, will be the racing program that will be carried out in conjunction with the meeting. The races will take place at the Narragansett Park Speedway, commencing Thursday and continuing over Friday and Saturday.

HAD THEM ALL BEAT.

The late Sir W. S. Gilbert of Savoy opera fame met Liebling, the pianist, and the following interchange of courtesies occurred between them, says an exchange:

Liebling was introduced to Gilbert, and Gilbert said:

"Sir, I have heard Liebling."

Liebling bowed his head in acknowledgment at what he supposed was the coming compliment.

"I have heard Henry Hertz," continued Gilbert. Liebling bowed still lower. "I have heard Paderewski," Liebling made a genuflection even unto the ground.

"Well, sir," continued Gilbert, in abrupt tones, "not one of them—not one of them, sir—perspired as profusely as you do!"

A Hacking Cough Weakens The System.

Don't suffer with a hacking cough that has weakened your system—get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, in use over 40 years, and benefiting all who use it, the soothing pine balsam with tar heal the irritated air passages—soothe the raw spots, loosen the mucus and prevents racking the body with coughing. Dr. King's New Discovery induces natural sleep and aids nature to cure you.

Barbershop Changes Location.

I wish to notify my friends and patrons that my barbershop now located on Flores Avenue will be changed to the east end of the Laredo National Bank building and will be opened in its new and handsome quarters on August 1. I will have every modern convenience, the best barber fixtures that the market affords and the most sanitary barber-shop in Laredo. Give me a call.

MATEO LOPEZ, 7-25-tf.

TO BE EXPECTED.

Nurse (in military hospital)—Did the orderly take your temperature?

Uneasy Patient—Dunno, miss; but I shouldn't be surprised. I see him take my chum's "baccy"—Exchange.

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## GAS EXPLOSION IS CAUSE OF DISASTER

### TWENTY-TWO LIVES LOST AND ONLY SURVIVORS MAY DIE FROM BREATHING FUMES.

#### By Associated Press.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 25.—Twenty-two men are dead and six others dying as the result of an explosion of gas in the waterworks tunnel five miles from the shore underneath Lake Erie last night. The dead include workmen trapped in the tunnel when the explosion occurred and members of two rescue parties. Eleven men were in the force trapped by the explosion, the cause of which is not known. The first rescue party consisted of seven men, of whom four perished and three were saved. The second rescue party had eleven men, of whom six lost their lives. Of the eight rescuers who got out alive, two later died and the remainder may die, as they are suffering from fumes. The tragic fate of the rescuers was due to the fact that they worked without oxygen helmets, which were not available. The city will investigate the lack of helmets.

Rescuers working with oxygen helmets brought out the bodies from the tunnel. No more were found alive. All ten bodies so far recovered are members of the first and second rescue parties. The eleven workmen originally entombed are still buried. The rescuers believe that the tunnel caved in after the explosion and that the remaining victims are buried under tons of mud and may not be rescued for days.

EPIDEMIC STILL RAGES.

By Associated Press. New York, July 25.—There were 38 deaths and 150 new cases of infantile paralysis in the last 24 hours.

STANDS BEHIND PROGRAM.

By Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—Official word went to the capitol today that President Wilson stands behind the construction program of the naval bill as it passed the senate, including four dreadnaughts and four battle cruisers to be built immediately.



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## ANTI-PREPAREDNESS.

Some of the opponents of preparedness are using the time-worn argument that the enlistment of a large force is primarily for the purpose of over-awing labor unions, and the use of the federal forces in 1894 to put down (?) the strike of the American Railway Union is cited as a proof of this charge.

Federal forces were never used to "put down" any strike in this country, nor were they ever used to over-awe labor unions. The use of the federal forces in Chicago in 1894 was merely to prevent the lawless element—many of them not in any way connected with the labor unions—from committing depredations, especially those connected with the United States mail service.

Whenever armed forces, either state or national, are called out in strikes, it is not for the purpose of dominating the strikers, who have a perfect right to strike, if they choose, but not to destroy the property of their former employers, or to kill or maim those who take their positions. The forces behind the law are those of the people, and an inconsiderable portion of the people is in favor of violence, either on the part of the strikers, the strike-breakers or the authorities.

The attitude of the federal troops toward all parties to a strike is that of absolute impartiality. The men obey their officers' orders; the officers are careful to give no orders which might cause useless bloodshed, and all are responsible to the civil authorities, whose orders they must obey at all hazards.

We have had a standing army for many years, while strikes are not of very ancient standing, particularly strikes stained with crimes of violence. Had there been any intention on the part of our federal government to use the army to over-awe the labor unions, there have been many occasions on which the use of such force would have had ample justification.

The proposition to prepare for national defense does not mean hostility toward any class of our own people, unless that class should be hostile to the government and subversive of law and order. Not even the worst enemy of labor unions would charge that they were subversive of law and order, or that they were as a body hostile to the government.

In 1863 an order was issued for the conscription of able-bodied men for service in the federal armies, in order to bring the war to a close. In several of the Northern cities, especially New York and Philadelphia, the "draft riots" had to be put down by armed force, but not until the rioters had killed hundreds of people, mainly negroes, who were charged by the frenzied mobs with being the cause of the drafts.

Would anyone charge that the use of federal troops to put down these riots was not justifiable? Naturally, the rioters were mostly of the lowest class of people, the great majority not even being American citizens.

It is this same class which perpetrates all the outrages which cause the labor unions to be looked upon as lawless. During the American Railway Union strike in 1894 the majority of the outrages were directly traced to men who not only did not belong to the railway unions, but who had not done a stroke of work for years, being bums and panhandlers, and many of them of foreign birth or descent, most of them not even American citizens.

To put down such riots was not to over-awe or dominate the labor unions. It was for the good of the union men that these riots were suppressed. It took away from the labor unions the stigma of being connected with the outrages, as most of those arrested and convicted of crimes during that strike were never members of any labor union.

When an invading army reaches our shores, if ever it will, we will wear our union labor badge. And the men who defend their homes against the invader will not be asked if they "belong to the union." Yet it is safe to say that every union workman who is physically sound will be in the ranks of his country's defenders, fighting for his home and his loved ones. For labor union men are that kind of people. They are not shirkers, nor do they insist upon the label on either the uniform or the flag.

## A MOVIE MENACE?

According to The Fatherland, the subsidized organ of the German empire in the United States, "The Fall of a Nation," "The Birth of a Nation," and kindred movie shows are anti-German and should be abolished in the interests of neutrality.

The Times holds no brief for the movie producers, and has not the

slightest interest in the proceeds of either the producers or the local movie shows, but we can see nothing in either of the plays, or any others of their ilk that are contrary to neutrality, save it might be the alleged neutrality of those who can see nothing good in anything that does not bear the mark "made in Germany."

The aforementioned "plays" were produced solely for money-making purposes. If they had a lesson in them it was such as could not be discerned by anybody who has a drop of American blood in his veins. The incidents in the plays, it is true, dimly suggested scenes which are alleged to have been occurred where the German armies have occupied foreign territory, but there was nothing in the uniforms, the names of the fictitious players, or the flags of the invaders that could have suggested the German navy. The soldiers of the Hunnish hordes, it is true, wore helmets, but they did not bear the familiar spikes of the "pickelhaube," nor did the arms they bore show any distinguishing mark of the Essen factories.

There is too much of this whining complaint these days to appeal to the right sentiments of true Americans. According to the demand for strict-neutrality, we should have no more plays of the "Nathan Hale" type, nor should we picture forth such scenes as are shown in our current plays of the Civil War period.

Perhaps the Germans of the country have objected to a play showing the Hessians sold to a British king by a Prussian prince to subjugate a free American people.

According to this authority, we must not present in any way any German atrocities, while we should be praised by the Germans for depicting the horrible slavery of the Putumayo or the heastly abuses alleged against the Belgians in the Congo Free State.

There is nothing in the plays shown calculated to charge the German people with inhumanity, while the horrible scenes depicted were intended—and with little result—to arouse the people of the United States to their defenseless condition in case of a war with a power of the first class.

That certain Germans of this country have taken to heart the atrocities pictured in the films is proof that they acknowledge the charges of their enemies that they have committed like atrocities.

The scenes in the plays quoted were entirely fictitious. That they have been accepted as charges against any nation is convincing proof that the people of that nation have a guilty conscience with regard to such vile and inhuman acts.

There are certain plays calculated to inculcate immorality, a failing regard for decency and a blase indifference to the obscene and the indecent. The plays quoted do not come within this category. They are sensational, it is true, but their sensationalism is intended to arouse the people to a sense of their defenseless condition, not to a hatred of any other people or political organization.

The German people have been characterized as phlegmatic, but some of that nation are showing that they are not only thin-skinned, they are excitable and super-sensitive to criticism.

If nothing else could be charged against our neutrality than the permission to produce such plays—which by the way, many thousands of Germans have attended and applauded—we should be smugly conscious of having done nothing to disturb the world's peace.

The Fatherland will have to remain closer at home and not aim so far afield for its causes for attacks on the American people.

Some people say the British "black list" was a great tactical blunder, while others are of the opinion that we can do nothing about it. At any rate, the blacklist is not nearly so important as the interference with our mails, and there is no international law against a boycott.

The officers and men are not to get "foreign service" pay in case of a war with Mexico. The presumed "mouth-piece of the war department" moved to strike the proposition out of the army bill, which indicates that some do not believe in extra pay for extra service.

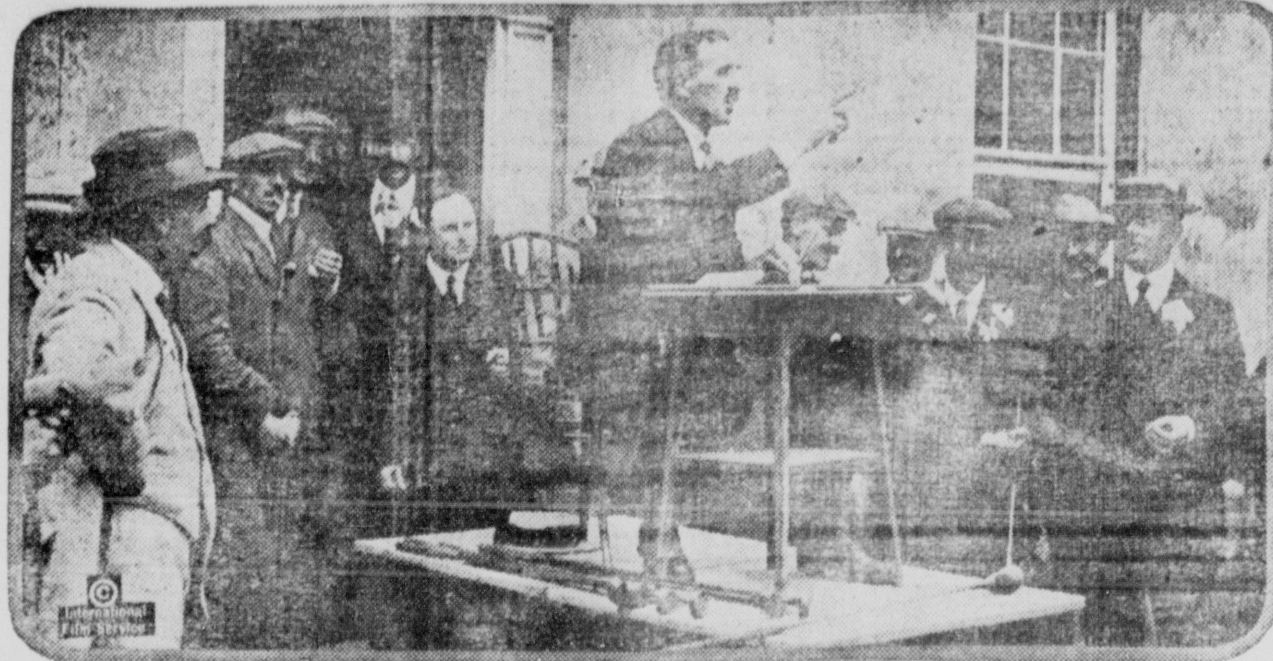
Publishers who believe there has been an undue increase in the price of print paper are to have a chance to air their views. We see where the federal trade commission is to have a chance to hear some hot talk.

The millionaire father of the woman who was killed by her husband while riding in an automobile with an army officer is to aid the prosecution of his son-in-law, who did the killing. De mortuis nil nisi bonum, we are told, but why was a married woman riding with another woman's husband?

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## SELL GOLF CLUBS FOR AID TO THE WOUNDED



To raise money for the three army hospitals at Southend, England, several star golfers played a match and then auctioned their clubs. They raised more than \$750.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO LEVYING TAX FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

(H. J. R. No. 39.) House Joint Resolution.

Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the district.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to hereafter read as follows:

SECTION 3. School Taxes.—One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes, and a poll tax of \$1.00 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year. The Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem county tax within the counties of this State not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of property situated within the county; provided, a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, for the purpose of maintaining the public free schools of the county, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties, and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax not to exceed in any one year one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such districts, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns, constituting separate and independent school districts.

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby instructed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election to be held in November, 1916, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy

## NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 24

Dr. Carl Gregg Doney, President of Willamette University, Salem, Oregon, and widely known both as a Prohibitionist and as an educator, is 49 years old today. Dr. Doney was born at Columbus, O., July 24, 1867, and educated at Ohio State University, where he successively took degrees in science, law and philosophy. He later continued his philosophical studies at Harvard University, and in 1893 entered the Methodist Episcopal ministry. After filling with success various pastorates, he turned his attention to religious education, and became president of the West Virginia Wesleyan College, filling the post for eight years. He was called in 1915 to the presidency of Willamette University. Dr. Doney has been active in the Anti-Saloon League, and was for some time president of the District of Columbia branch of the organization. He is the author of religious books, much appreciated in Methodist church circles.

of ad valorem school taxes not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district." And those opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes, not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county, and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district."

SEC. 3. The sum of \$5,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary therefor, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

[NOTE.—H. J. R. No. 39 was adopted by the House March 6, years 1914, was adopted by the Senate, with amendments, March 19, years 25, years 2. House concurred in Senate amendments March 19, years 78, years 19, present and not voting 1.]

(A true copy.)  
JOHN G. McKAY,  
Secretary of State.

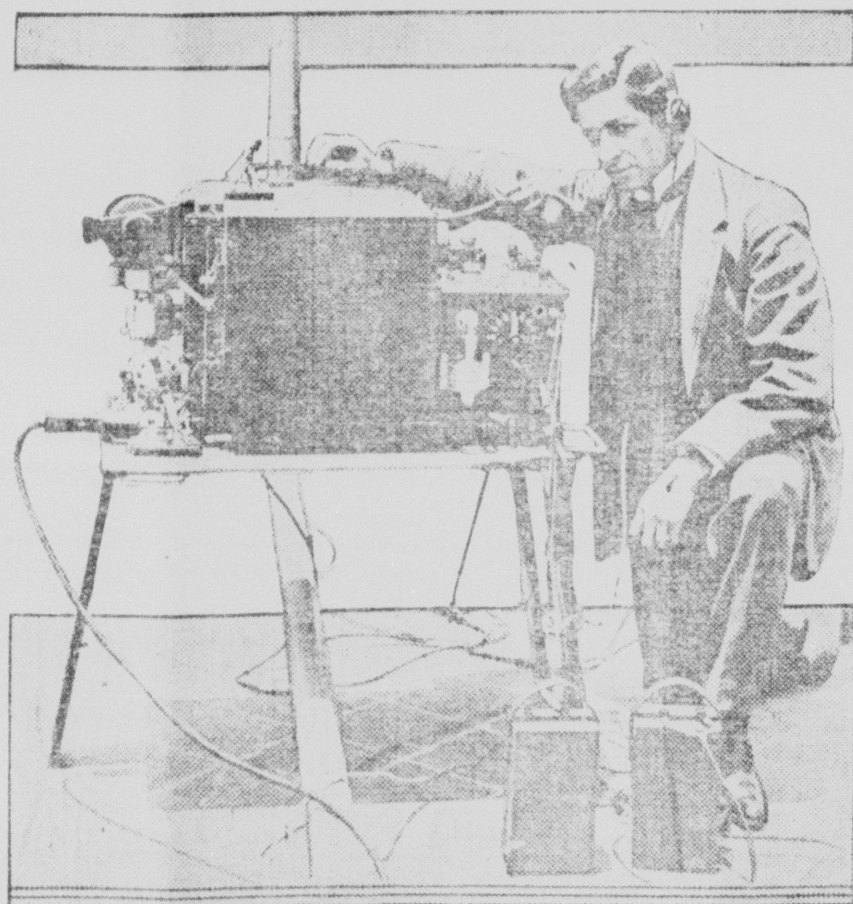
## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 24

1621—First written constitution granted to Virginia.  
1759—Battle of Niagara, the English defeating the French and Indians and cutting off all communication between Canada and Louisiana, the two most important French settlements on American soil.  
1847—Great Salt Lake Valley in Utah entered by Brigham Young and his Mormon followers, and Salt Lake City founded and the Stars and Stripes hoisted on territory then under Spanish rule, and now claimed by the pioneers in the name of the United States.  
1862—Martin Van Buren, 8th President of the United States, died, aged 80.  
1903—William H. Taft became Secretary of War.  
1908—Marathon race at Olympian Games won by American athlete, Hayes, Turkish Constitution restored by Sultan.  
1912—Devastating earthquake in Peru.  
1914—Opening of new port and maritime canal at Brussels, with elaborate festivities attended by foreign representatives.  
1914—Sec. Bryan's "breathing spell" treaties, agreeing upon a year's arbitration before declaring war, signed at Washington by Argentina, Brazil and Chile.  
1915—Excursion Steamer Eastland upset in Chicago River with 2100 on board; 852 lives lost.  
1915—THE WAR: Russians halt Tientsin before Warsaw, except to north, where a big force has crossed the Narew and is sweeping toward the Bug. French capture powerfully fortified German position at Ban-de-Sapt, together with 825 prisoners. Action developing favorably for Italians on Carso Plateau. Italian forces also repulse Austrians attacks at Somdogna Pass in Carnia, and in Monte Nero region.

Constipation and Indigestion.  
"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere.

## MEXICANS USE AMERICAN WIRELESS



One of the five American "de Forest" portable wireless outfits being used by the Mexican government. The photograph shows a Mexican operating the machine. The apparatus can be put together or demounted in a few minutes.

## LESS THAN 500 VOTES CAST IN PRIMARIES ON SATURDAY

FROM RETURNS RECEIVED WEBB COUNTY WAS ON LOSING SIDE

As Voters Lost on Submission, Culberson, Phillips, Yantis, Ferguson, Woods, Mayfield, Edwards, Harper, Robinson, Davis, Terrell, Byrne and McEmore, against the Robertson law and Walter Woodul for the legislature. From returns received from over the state Webb county Democrats were in some instances on the winning side.

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For ..... 20  
Against ..... 467  
United States Senator:  
Brooks ..... 3  
Campbell ..... 10  
Colquhoun ..... 5  
Culberson ..... 464  
Davis ..... 3  
Edwards ..... 0  
Ferguson ..... 0  
Riddle ..... 0  
Chief Justice:  
Jenkins ..... 18  
Phillips ..... 463  
Associate Justice:  
Hall ..... 13  
Yantis ..... 470  
Governor:  
Ferguson ..... 469  
Marshall ..... 0  
Morris ..... 3  
Attorney-General:  
Looney ..... 25  
Rowland ..... 2  
Woodul ..... 470  
Railroad Commissioner:  
Daniel ..... 4  
Mayfield ..... 470  
Robinson ..... 8  
State Treasurer:  
Baker ..... 11  
Edwards ..... 470  
Munn ..... 1  
Judge Criminal Appeals:  
Harper ..... 467  
Morrow ..... 16  
Land Commissioner:  
Robinson ..... 482  
Commissioner Agriculture:  
Davis ..... 462  
Halbert ..... 14  
Comptroller:  
Terrell ..... 360  
White ..... 13  
Congressmen-at-large:  
Byrne ..... 443  
Colley ..... 0  
Cox ..... 0  
Darwin ..... 2  
Finnin ..... 6  
Fitzgerald ..... 0  
Garrett ..... 12  
Harrington ..... 0  
Lackland ..... 0  
McEmore ..... 435  
Paddelford ..... 5  
Porter ..... 2  
Robertson Law:  
For ..... 16  
Against ..... 464  
Congress 15th District:  
Garner ..... 488  
Judge Civ. Ap. 4th Dist:  
Morse ..... 452  
Swearingen ..... 446  
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Woodul ..... 479  
George ..... 1

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## LITTLE LOCALS

—Advices received from Corpus Christi, where an interesting time was had in the Democratic primaries in Nueces county Saturday state that Frank Robinson for sheriff and R. O. Cook for district clerk won over their opponents. Mr. Cook was district clerk for many years, but was defeated two years ago, while Mr. Robinson succeeds Mike Wright, who was not a candidate.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tr.

—As a result of the Democratic primaries here Saturday there will be no changes in the official "county family," for all have served their constituency well the past two years and were returned to their offices without opposition and by big votes.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-26-tr.

—"Oh, mamma, the soldiers are eating grass: I saw them in the plaza just now with their heads stuck into the ground like ostriches," said a little girl who observed a number of militiamen in the Jarvis Plaza yesterday afternoon, some of them lying on the grass writing, others reading and still others lying on their stomachs snoozing. The latter ones are the soldiers referred to by the little girl.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-6-tr (Adv.)

—The huge date palm in Jarvis Plaza with its prodigious growth of golden fruit is the source of attraction not only to the eight or nine thousand militiamen here, but to everybody who passes that way. Professor Mally, the agricultural expert, says it is one of the heaviest-bearing date palms in the United States. Many kodak views of the palm are taken almost daily.

—A letter received from Alice, Texas, announces the arrival there on Saturday, to Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Leyendecker, of a bouncing baby boy. Mother and child are doing well in Alice, while "Grandpa" B. J. Leyendecker in Laredo is strutting about with his face covered with smiles.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tr. (Adv.)

—The soldier service at Christ Church last evening was one of the biggest services ever held in a church in Laredo. The building was crowded to the doors, and the soldiers took a hearty part in the services. Chaplain Molony of the Fourth Infantry delivered a strong sermon and Chaplain Wood of the Ninth Infantry and Rector Chas. W. Cook assisted in the services, while Will W. Gregg presided at the organ.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tr.

—Tomorrow being the feast of St. James, Holy Communion will be celebrated at Christ Church at 7:30 a. m.

—The churches of the city were again crowded with soldiers yesterday, many of the visiting militiamen attending one Catholic church and being compelled to stand during the mass services and sermon.

—According to reports in circulation here, Laredo architects are making plans for some fine business houses which will be in course of erection within the next three months. And some of them are within 100 feet of each other right in the center of the business district of the city.

Look Good—Feel Good.  
Not one can either feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, draggy, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box to-day, take one or two pills to-night. In the morning that stuffed, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c. at your druggist.

"From Envy, Hatred and Malice."  
We hate to disclose a mean, contemptible spirit about it, but we are not entirely miserable because those of the boys who have taken their vacations have returned worse fagged out than we who stand on the firing line blazing away at the devil and all his works in the ranks of the terrible republican party.—Houston Post.

## A LAREDO WOMAN COMES TO THE FRONT.

Every Laredo resident should read what a neighbor says. Her testimony can be relied upon. Here are her own words:

"Mrs. G. Hochheimer, 1112 Loring Ave., Laredo, says: 'For some time, I was troubled by disordered kidneys. Dean's Kidney Pills, procured at the City Drug Co., relieved the trouble and made me feel better generally.'"

Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Dean's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Hochheimer had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

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For Neat and Accurate Job Work ring up 43.



From Monday's Daily.

### DROWNED IN THE RIO GRANDE

Private Harding of the Maine Regiment Drowned at San Ignacio While Bathing Saturday Afternoon.

The first death among militiamen in this section occurred on last Saturday afternoon at about 4:30 o'clock at the military camp at San Ignacio when Private Reuben L. Harding, a member of Co. E, Second Maine Infantry Regiment, doing patrol duty at San Ignacio, lost his life in the Rio Grande.

Private Harding, whose age is given as 19, and whose home is in Rumpford, Maine, was bathing in the river Saturday afternoon. He was some distance away from his comrades and it is said only one of them observed him as he threw his hands up in the air and disappeared below the surface of the water, never again reappearing. He is believed to have been seized with cramps. Diligent search was immediately instituted for recovering the body, but up to last accounts it had not as yet been recovered.

A telephone message received from San Ignacio shortly before noon today announced that the body of Private Harding was recovered about 10 o'clock at a point some distance down the river from where he disappeared. The remains will be brought to Laredo this evening and prepared for shipment to Harding's old home in Rumpford, Maine.

Stings or bites of insects that are followed by swellings, pain or itching should be treated promptly as they are poisonous. BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT counteracts the poison. It is both antiseptic and healing. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

### DR. O. J. COOK RESIGNS.

Tenders His Resignation to Mayor McComb as Health Officer of the City of Laredo; Has Nothing to Say

Dr. O. J. Cook, for several years past city health officer of the city of Laredo, this morning tendered his resignation to Mayor Robert McComb, his resignation being effective August 1.

When asked by the Times reporter as to what prompted him in submitting his resignation to the mayor, Dr. Cook made the laconic reply "I have nothing to say."

### A Hacking Cough Weakens The System.

Don't suffer with a hacking cough that has weakened your system—get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, in use over 40 years, and benefiting all who use it, the soothing pine balsam with tar heal the irritated air passages—soothe the raw spots, loosen the mucus and prevents racking the body with coughing. Dr. King's New Discovery induces natural sleep and aids nature to cure you.

### MORE HEAVY IMPORTATIONS

Quite a Large Quantity of Calamine and Ixite Coming Through From Mexico and Going to the East.

Importations of calamine and ixite in large quantities continue to arrive in Laredo from Mexico, and as soon as clearance is secured following the filing of manifests, the products go forward to the east.

Saturday's importations consisted of fourteen carloads of calamine, two carloads of hides, one carload of skins, one carload of cotton seed meal and fifteen carloads of ixite.

A bad taste in the mouth comes from disordered stomach, and back of that is usually a torpid liver—A condition which invites disease. HERBINE is the remedy needed. It corrects the stomach and makes the liver active and regular. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

### NOTICE.

To the Public:

During the last eight years real estate owners of Laredo have been put to considerable trouble to hunt their receipts even as far back as 1885, and if they could not find same had to pay the taxes so assessed with all the trimmings. I have not been spared along this line, but was in possession of the receipts. I suppose most of the smaller property owners did not take care of the receipts, also some may have lost them from various causes. In 1912 I personally sold to Severo Villareal Lots 6 and 7 in block 288 W. D. A few days ago the city attorney notified Villareal that taxes were due and unpaid on said property for the years 1881, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1902 and 1909. I am looking for the receipts and so far have found twelve. These papers are signed by various tax collectors as same were in the office: Martin Garcia, A. E. Vidauri, George C. Woodman and C. Lachica. This notice is not intended to harm anyone, but in case of a sale of such property by the city will not convey such property. I will not defend this case. It further shows the taxpayers to have care of their receipts, also proves that the attorneys do not show the proper care.

JOHN O. BUENZ.

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Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Blue Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Boy of your Druggist, Ask for CHICHESTER'S PILLS in the DIAMOND BRAND. For 25 years known as Best, Safest, All-around Family Medicine.

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### START CONSTRUCTION SOON

Handsome Building for M. Vizcaya Sierra Will be Under Way Within a Short Time, as Site is Cleared.

The old landmark which occupied the site of the store known as "La Perla," corner of Flores Avenue and Turbide street, has been razed and the debris is now being cleared away. With the tearing down of the old stone structure one of the truly old time buildings of Laredo gave way to the march of progress. It is said that the building was here in 1834 and served in after years as both a home and boarding house and later as a business establishment. For a time it was the old Farrell home.

The debris accumulated following the razing of the landmark is now being cleared away and foundation work for the new building will start at once by L. V. Jambers & Co., who have the contract for the construction of a modern two-story business block for M. Vizcaya Sierra which, when completed, will cost approximately \$35,000 and will be quite a creditable acquisition to the business district of the city of Laredo.

### Call For Bids.

Bids for the construction of buildings and other improvements on Market Plaza according to plans prepared by David Chaille, architect, will be received at the office of the City Secretary up to four o'clock of the afternoon of August first, 1916, and then to be opened by the Building Committee, Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the City Secretary. Usual rights reserved.

J. T. AGAN,  
Chairman Building Committee,  
7-19-10t.

### MISSOURI MOBILIZATION SCENES

Pictures to Be Shown at the Royal; Last Night Large Audiences Witnessed Two Features Presented

At the Royal Theatre last evening announcement was made that within a few days the moving pictures taken at the mobilization camp of the Missouri National Guard, together with the incidental scenes, drills, etc., of the various contingents, would be shown on the screen at the Royal.

At the time that the announcement was made on the screen there were several hundred Missouri guardsmen in the spacious building witnessing the production of the beautiful love drama, "Sorrows of Love," starring Bessie Barriscale, and also the two- reel humorous drama, "My Valet," with Mack Sennett, Raymond Hitchcock and Mabel Normand in the leading parts. The program given at the Royal last night was one of the best ever brought to Laredo—the Royal kind.

### CONVENTION NEXT SATURDAY.

Delegates to Be Selected to Various Conventions and Executive Committee for 2 Years to Be Named.

In the Democratic primary election on Saturday J. R. Moore was re-elected as chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Webb county to serve for the ensuing two years. Mr. Moore had no opposition for the place.

On Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock in the district court room at the county courthouse a Democratic county convention will be held and a county executive committee to serve for the ensuing two years will be elected.

Worms interfere with the growth of children. They become thin, pale and sickly. Get rid of these parasites at once if you would have healthy, happy, cheerful children. WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE destroys worms and benefits the whole system. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

### TO ERECT Y. M. C. A. BUILDING.

Soldier Boys at Camp Missouri Will Soon Have a Place Where They Can Enjoy Themselves at Leisure.

A temporary building for use as a reading room, gymnasium and moving picture show for the soldier boys of the Missouri contingent, which consists of four regiments, a troop of cavalry, a battery of field artillery and other adjuncts, is to be erected immediately on the grounds of Camp Missouri.

J. A. Coulter, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., which through its New York branch of the association is providing comforts in the way of reading rooms, etc., for militiamen along the Texas border, on Saturday laid the contract for the building to J. O. Buenz. The structure, which will be erected immediately, will be 40 feet wide, 100 feet long and will cost about \$750.

### SMILE MAKERS

No. One.  
Hot cakes with syrup in the morning.  
No. Two.  
Merchants lunch at noon.  
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Iced tea with lunch at night.  
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Then the short orders and lunches that SHORTY serves at all hours, day and night makes you SMILE and keeps you in a good humor with yourself and all the world.  
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### SOCIAL CALENDAR.

#### Monday.

Red Cross Sewing Circle met this morning at ten o'clock at the home of Mrs. G. C. Woodman.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Lobdell will entertain this evening at six o'clock, with a lawn party complimenting the Misses Mackin and their house-guest.

#### Tuesday.

Red Cross Sewing Circles C and D will meet at the home of Mrs. J. W. Mussett at nine o'clock in the morning.  
Ladies Night at the Ninth Infantry Club in the evening.  
The Christian Endeavor Society will have a business meeting at the church this evening.

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"For the heart grows rich in giving. All its wealth is living grain; Seeds which mellow in the garner, Scattered, fill with gold the plain."

#### General Mention.

Miss Kate Hickey left this morning for Corpus Christi to stay for a short time. She was accompanied by her little niece and Miss Dora Becker.

Mrs. Lee Vollmer and little son Robert, have returned from an extended trip to California, and had a most delightful visit.

The Ladies who are members of the Red Cross Sewing Circle A met with Mrs. A. C. Richter this morning to close the second box which they have just completed, and to also discuss future work. There will be no regular meeting tomorrow, and the announcement for such meetings will be made later.

Mrs. H. G. DaCamara and children returned home on Saturday afternoon from a pleasant trip to friends in San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

Miss Anita Yeager of Laredo arrived on Friday to be the guest of Mrs. Mabel Hanna Davis at the Menger Hotel—San Antonio Express.

#### Club Notes.

The B. Y. P. U. Junior held their weekly meeting at the Baptist Church last evening at seven o'clock. The leader was Otis Walker, and the subject of the lesson was "Other Ordinances." Much interest was manifested in the "Sword Drill" or hunting the books of the Bible. Those present were: Misses Beulah Putman, Cornelia Cline, Emma Salazar, Belva Bergmann, Agnes Bennett, Otis Walker, Clifton Payne, Gorham Woods, Richard Trout and Mrs. Sallee.

#### Entertainment.

A pretty compliment of Saturday evening was the dinner given in honor of Mr. J. J. Haynes' birthday with Dr. and Mrs. John Tucker Hall as host and hostess. The gallery where the table was spread was a bower of green and garlands of green incandescents lighted the scene. The centerpiece was a mass of white jack beans, golden zinnias and maiden hair fern, the place cards bore tiny brass candlesticks holding lighted tapers and the favors were miniature baskets of nuts and bonbons. Seven courses were served and covers were laid for: Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Mims, Miss De Rosette Thomas, Dr. H. Stow Garlick, Dr. and Mrs. Halsell.

#### Red Cross Notes.

The Red Cross Class in First Aid met on Saturday morning at Elk's Hall with Dr. Halsell as instructor. The subject taken and demonstrated, was drowning and resuscitation, and suffocation and their treatment. The subject was most ably handled, and proved to be very interesting and instructive. There was a fair attendance, but there seems to be a falling off in the enthusiasm on the part of the members. It is to be regretted that the entire class cannot keep in touch with the work to be studied, so as to get the full benefit of the lectures.

The Baptist Church had open house on Saturday evening for the members of the different militia camps. A most enjoyable evening was spent and refreshments were served during the evening. The church is open at all times to the militia men, and reading and writing material is provided, and the ladies of the church are planning to have special occasions when other entertainment will be provided. These announcements will be made later.

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An urgent plea is made to the "MOTHERS" to join the Red Cross Class in First Aid that is being held on Wednesday and Saturday of each week at Elk's Hall at nine o'clock in the morning. The work shown by the physicians of our city in these classes is invaluable to the mothers of families, especially to young mothers, in case of accidents, when it is impossible to get the help of a doctor immediately. Some of the most interested members now attending are mothers who have raised their children to manhood, and womanhood and who are the most enthusiastic in urging all mothers who can to join. They see what a fund of valuable information is gathered at these meetings, and how much easier it is to meet an emergency when you know what to do and how to do it. Many a life could be spared at times if we had the knowledge and knew how to apply it.

### PERSONALS

RENDER:—Charles Straffen, Monterey; Virgil O. Wood, Blackwell, Okla.; A. Milek, Deadwood, S. C.; G. H. Shelton, H. H. Batchelder, Mrs. J. G. Gannendeger, San Antonio; R. B. Lee, San Marcos; Frank Parsons, Oklahoma; Augusto Daggers, Celso Alvarez, Tampico; Ben Hanson, Laredo; Mrs. Gilbert Jones, Kansas City, Mo.; W. J. Monley, New Haven, Conn.; K. T. Leemon, Boston, Mass.; K. T. Leemon, Boston; R. T. Soires, Houston; George Powell, San Antonio; H. G. Webster, Dallas.

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Bitterness caused by litigation after the death of her father, Nathaniel Gilman, of Waterville, Me., of whose estate she was executrix forty years ago, was the reason for the unusual will of Anna King Gilman, who died this month at Rowaiton, Conn. The document attracted widespread attention because the bulk of the estate, amounting to \$300,000, was left to President Gilman of Johns Hopkins University as trustee of a fund to aid any worthy executrix having difficulty in establishing and obtaining her legal rights.

From Alaska comes the news of a mountain climbing romance without the least savor of the ordinary. Miss Doris of Philadelphia, one of the foremost women explorers in America, was recently married in the shadow of Mt. Blackburn, near McCarthy, Alaska, to George William Handy of the latter place, who had in 1912 made with Miss Keen, now Mrs. Handy, the ascent of the famous peak, 15,140 feet high. Mr. Handy was then the only man out of seven who started with the doughy little woman explorer, to reach the snow-clad summit with her, after 35 days of continuous travel on perilous glaciers. He is a mining man well known in Alaska. So difficult and dangerous did the ascent of Mt. Blackburn prove then, that no one else has since attempted it, man or woman.

It is stated on good authority that Russia has no fewer than four hundred women bearing arms "for God and the Czar." One has even reached the rank of colonel in a Cossack regiment, while several others have won official recognition of some sort for bravery at the front, in the shape of the coveted Cross of St. George, which is the Russian Iron Cross. Women throughout Europe are doing man's work in factories and in the harvest field, but it is only in Russia that women by the hundreds have joined the armies, cutting off their long tresses and passing as men in the majority of cases, but being tolerated by the officers and men upon discovery and gradually being treated as heroines and fully accepted as they proved their valor on the field. These war heroines are not new to Russian history, and the ancient Russian ballads are full of the noble deeds of Russian maidens who defended their tribal homesteads against the savage bands of robbers operating in the northern wilds of Russia. The present feminine warriors come principally from the gymnasiums, or high schools, and are young girls. In the spy service of Russia, women are also said to play a greater part than in any other country, women of the highest nobility and of the greatest culture and charm often engaging in the work as in a thrilling game.

Miss Mary De Vore of Cleveland, Ohio, is likely to get what she wants in life if she keeps on pursuing the methods by which she secured a splendid set of muskrat furs which is the envy of her friends. Miss De Vore, who is pretty, 22, and ordinarily pursues no more ferocious occupation than that of stenographer, ignored both shop windows and the contents of her purse when she set her heart upon a beautiful set of furs. She went out in the wilds, captured the animals, killed and skinned them and made the set with her own hands out of the spoils. She trapped the animals on her father's farm near Nelsonville, O., baiting them with apples on the bank of a creek.

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### CHARGE SON WITH KILLING

By Associated Press.  
Henrietta, Texas, July 24.—Bill Smith was shot and killed early today in bed at his home near Blue Grove, and his son, Alfred, aged 20 years, was arrested, it being claimed that he came home late after coming to Henrietta against his father's wishes.

### RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, July 24.—The senate judiciary committee today unanimously recommended the confirmation of the nomination of John H. Clarke of Cleveland to succeed former Justice Hughes on the supreme bench.

### DROWNED IN LAKE.

By Associated Press.  
Houghton, Mich., July 24.—James Prior, his wife and three children were drowned in Portage Lake early today in a motor boat collision.

### COL. BUTLER BURIED.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, July 24.—Colonel Butler, killed at Alpine, Texas, Thursday, by a jealous hotel keeper, Harry Spannell, was buried at Arlington cemetery today.

### FACES TRIAL ON LYNCHING CHARGE.

Kenansville, N. C., July 24.—Considerable interest is manifested in the outcome of the case of Samuels Stocks, charged with having participated in the lynching of Joseph Black which was docketed for trial today in the Duplin county court. Black, a negro, had been arrested for furnishing his son with a gun after the latter had attacked a white girl. On April 5 the father was taken from the Lenior county jail at Kinston and carried to Greene county and put to death. Stocks, a resident of Greene county, is accused of having been a leader of the lynching party.

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### By Associated Press.

El Paso, Texas, July 24.—General Gonzalez, the Juarez commander, today protested to Gen. Bell against guards of the Ninth Massachusetts infantry, who he claimed crossed upon Mexican soil and shot up a number of Mexican homes.

### Laredo Conditions Excellent.

Washington, July 24.—Major General Bliss today advised the war department that the health conditions of the Guardsmen at Laredo, Texas, were excellent. The Laredo authorities are taking steps to purify the water supplies.

### EXPECTS BIG MAJORITY.

By Associated Press.  
Austin, Texas, July 24.—Governor Ferguson said today he expected his majority over Morris to be 100,000.

### WILSON EXPRESSED REGRET.

By Associated Press.  
Indianapolis, Ind., July 24.—The family of James Whitcomb Riley today received a telegram from President Wilson expressing his regret at the poet's death. The body will lie in state at the state house this afternoon and evening.

# BRITISH CLAIMING STEADY NEW GAINS

### RUSSIANS REPORT GEN. HINDENBURG'S FORCES DRIVEN BACK TWELVE MILES FROM FRONT.

By Associated Press.  
General Sir Douglas Haig today reported new British gains in the fight for Pozieres, which blocks the advance toward Bapaume and the near high wood in the vicinity of Guillemont. Berlin says the British gains were trivial. Bad weather along the French front in some regions interferes with the operations. Pedragrad emphasizes the importance of the Russian offensive in the Riga region, asserting that von Hindenburg's forces were driven back twelve miles at one point. The Russians have now halted to consolidate the ground gained on a 30-mile front. In Turkey the Russians claim their advance guards are within 15 miles from Erzincan, but Turkey claims Russian defeats in Persia. Constantinople also asserts that British cavalry was defeated east of Suaz near the canal. Paris says Lieut. Chaput has brought down his eighth hostile aeroplane near Frenes. Rome reports Italian gains in the Astice region.

### German Boats Escaped.

London, July 24.—Though repeatedly hit, six German torpedo boat destroyers engaged in a running fight by British forces yesterday off Schouwen Bank escaped. A despatch from the Hague says that five German destroyers, two listing heavily, returned toward Zebrugge yesterday.

### Casement's Appeal Refused.

London, July 24.—The attorney general intimated today that he will not grant the flat enabling Sir Roger Casement to appeal from the House of Lords' death sentence.

### Bremen Failed to Appear.

Norfolk, Va., July 24.—Hope for the safe arrival of the German submarine Bremen waned today when she failed to appear off Cape Henry, although knowing persons said the presence of allied warships may have delayed her.

### Asked Big Credit Vote.

London, July 24.—Premier Asquith today asked the house of commons for a credit vote of 450,000,000 pounds sterling, the largest since the war began.

### FULL.

By one of those strange chances most of the lady passengers inside the motor bus seemed to be carrying infants, one or two of which were a little fractious. At one stopping place the harassed conductor was faced by two more ladies, each of whom carried the inevitable baby. But patience, though a virtue, has its limits. "Room on top, mum," he said sternly as he held out a detaining arm; "the incubator's full."—Tit Bits.

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### PETROLEUM IS LOWER.

By Associated Press.  
Tulsa, Okla., July 24.—The Prairie Oil and Gas Co. today posted mid-continent crude oil at \$1.45, a 10c cut under the price for the past two months.

### MUST STAND UP.

By Associated Press.  
Baltimore, Md., July 24.—The police today distributed copies of an ordinance requiring musicians, performers or other persons to stand while playing or singing "The Star Spangled Banner." The penalty for violation is a fine not to exceed \$100.

### MORMONS OBSERVE PIONEER DAY.

Salt Lake City, Utah, July 24.—Throughout Utah and in many parts of Idaho, Oregon and other States, wherever a Mormon settlement exists, the members of the faith held exercises today in celebration of Pioneer Day. The day was the sixty-ninth anniversary of the arrival of Brigham Young and his little colony in Salt Lake Valley.

### DENTISTS MEET AT LOUISVILLE.

Louisville, Ky., July 24.—Knights of the forcepts, in a vast army of 2,000 or more recruited from every section of the United States, swooped down upon Louisville today to take part in the twentieth annual convention of the National Dental association. Today was devoted to the reception of the visitors and the completion of the final details of the convention program. The regular sessions will begin tomorrow and continue until Saturday. Simultaneously there will be meetings of the dental supply manufacturers, dental instructors and other organizations affiliated with the dental profession. Some new discoveries and improved methods are promised in the clinical demonstrations and in the exhibit sections where manufacturers and dealers will display the latest ideals in instrument, equipment and efficiency devices.

### ANNIVERSARY OF EASTLAND DISASTER.

Chicago, Ill., July 24.—With flags hoisted at half mast in many parts of the city and with a distinct pause in the usual rush and hurly-burly of business and pleasure, Chicago today observed the first anniversary of the steamboat Eastland disaster, when more than 800 pleasure-seekers went to their deaths in the Chicago River within view of hundreds of spectators who were powerless to aid them. In every cemetery in the city floral offerings were deposited on the graves of the victims today by relatives and friends. Public memorial exercises were arranged for the afternoon and evening at several halls in the southwest section of the city, where a large majority of the victims lived.

In the loss of life, the Eastland disaster was the most appalling catastrophe in the history of Chicago. The victims, of whom the majority were women and children, were passengers on a steamboat excursion to Michigan City given to 7,000 employees and friends by the Western Electric Company. Just as the boat was about to start she began to list and soon lay on her side in 25 feet of water, her human cargo helplessly buried. Hundreds on the upper deck were hurled in masses into the water, where many were lost. Most of the passengers caught below in the cabins or on the lower decks perished without a chance of escape. They were swallowed up in watery graves in sight of other thousands who crowded the Clark street bridge, the wharves and adjoining streets.

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#### NEEDS HOME TALENT.

According to a letter purporting to have been written by John Lind to former Secretary Bryan, which has fallen into the hands of the Felicista party in Mexico and which is soon to be published in an official document by that party, the reasons for our government first supporting Villa and then Carranza, and the revolutionaries generally were based upon Mr. Lind's reports and his recommendations.

Mr. Lind recommended urgently that the "housecleaning in Mexico be done by home talent." He said: "To make a dog feel that he really is a cur he must be whipped by another dog and preferably by a cur. It will be a little rough and we must see to it that the walls are left intact, but I should not worry if some of the verandas and French windows were demolished."

Mr. Lind's strongest recommendation was that the City of Mexico be humiliated. He said of that city: "It has been the seat and the home of all the intrigue and all the corruption from which the country has suffered, and it is, in the concentration of its wealth, in its arrogance, in its morals' social and political, as degraded as and capital city in the world."

This may also be true of other parts of Mexico, but the cynical indifference with Mr. Lind views the suffering of the lower class Mexicans in order that some of the arrogant, corrupt and immoral Mexicans of the capital city may be punished is truly Machiavellian in its nature.

Policy may dictate the punishment of those who profited by the impoverishment of the peones, but it is a cruel and diabolical policy which recommends that the "housecleaning be done by home talent." In order that—presumably—we may profit by that housecleaning.

There is something more than a mere housecleaning needed in Mexico. So far the cleaning has been done by those anxious, in some cases, to avenge wrongs, and in others to get rich from the downfall of those who have riches. It has not in any sense been a housecleaning from the standpoint of improving conditions.

If the rich were immoral and corrupt in past times, the poor are more immoral and corrupt; while the rich might have oppressed the poor, they do not go out at night and shoot them from ambush, nor did they burn their houses after stealing all they had.

Had as was the condition of the poor under past administrations in Mexico, it is so immeasurably worse today that those who have not enriched themselves by loot would eagerly welcome a return of the old regime.

If this is the sort of "housecleaning" to which Mr. Lind refers, then it is time that some outsider were brought in to clean up after those who have made such a mess of it.

It is hard to believe that Mr. Wilson was merely playing Villa and Carranza against each other in an effort to have one exterminate the other. This does not square itself with Mr. Wilson's repeated utterances in regard to our duty to humanity and to ourselves.

Mr. Lind's alternative policy in case the recommended one were not adopted was to have us take military possession of Mexico and administer its affairs substantially as was done in Cuba, but he did not recommend this alternative. He thought the country should maintain the dignity and responsibility of a self-governing nation. Just where he believed the government was to come from is not clear.

In the last analysis, the Mexican problem resolves itself into the one question: Shall we, for our own sake as well as for the sake of the suffering millions of that country, take military possession and govern it until the Mexicans shall be able to form their own government and so conduct it that they shall not be a menace to us nor a destructive force for their own people?

Mr. Lind has never impressed anyone as being a man with a perfect knowledge of Mexican affairs. He now impresses everyone, if he really wrote the foregoing letter, as being a man indifferent to suffering and anxious only to avoid for his own government a momentary perplexity.

#### EXTENDING THE TIME.

State Land Commissioner J. T. Robinson shows himself to be considerate and well-disposed toward the people of Webb and other counties who have suffered from the long-continued drought, and has graciously extended the time for all purchasers of state lands for the payment of their interest which became due in November past.

Mr. Robinson says that he realizes the drought has resulted in a great loss of stock, and he believes the people who have suffered great financial loss should be given more time in which to pay their indebtedness to the state.

Rather than have the people believe, however, that he was actuated by political motives in making this announcement, he did not make his intention public until the election was over. This indicates the honesty of Mr. Robinson's purpose, as well as his knowledge of the sort of politics that are played by some.

The state lands are the property of the people. A slight delay in the collection of the interest due will work no hardship to the people, while the extension of time will enable some of the purchasers to get even on their losses.

The extended dry spell has played havoc with a majority of the stock raisers. They have seen hundreds of head die for lack of water and grass, while those that remained were so lean that they had to be sold at a considerable depreciation. Many of the stock raisers were forced to put their cattle on the market in poor condition rather than see them starve to death. Some have been forced to pay a high price for pasture to save their herds.

It is rare to find such a consideration on the part of a public official. The fact that Mr. Robinson was elected despite his refusal to play politics detracts nothing from the goodness of his act, and there are many who will recognize the fact that his friendly act was not dictated by his hope of retaining the office.

The recent rains have replenished the tanks and have caused the grass to grow luxuriantly. The landowners who depend upon stock raising for a living will soon be again in a position to meet all their just obligations to the state, as well as to private debtors. It is beyond a doubt that they will be able to pay, not only their past obligations, but the new ones as well.

There are many sections of Texas in which state lands are still for sale. Many of these lands, without means of irrigation, are suitable only for cattle or horse raising. In time of drought the purchasers find themselves hard pressed to make a living without meeting their interest payments on the land purchases. Their only security as a rule is the stock which they own, and when this stock is depreciated in value because of lack of water they find it hard to secure a loan.

The banks are always disposed to help in every possible way an honest person. But they are debarred by law from making a loan without good and sufficient security. Hence at times it may happen that a man who is in every way honest and industrious may find himself unable to meet his interest payments to the state.

Hence the act of Commissioner Robinson is a commendable one. He realizes that these land purchasers, if given time, will meet every obligation to the state, as well as to their other creditors, and he so interprets his authority as to give them a chance.

It is rare that we have two successive seasons of drought. The rains we have had during the past few weeks have given new life to the cattle ranges. With plenty of water and grass the stock raisers cannot fail to prosper, and with their prosperity comes the fulfillment of every obligation.

Webb county has reason to feel grateful to Mr. Robinson for his kindly act, which was dictated solely by a desire to give every debtor of the state a chance.

With the thirtieth birthday of the Eagle Pass News-Guide Editor Boehmer began the publication of a daily, for which The Times wishes much success—in fact, all the success it deserves, which is a great deal. It's too bad Joe will be unable in future to take any notice of the prevailing styles on the sidewalks of Eagle Pass; he will be too busy in side.

The authorities in Washington seem to be laboring under the mistaken notion that our water supply needs improving. If they had as good water to drink in the National Capital as Laredo has, there would not be so great a necessity for the campaign against the Rum Demon by country constituents.

The Indiana poet, James Whitcomb Riley, is no more. Those who have been cheered by his homely philosophy and charmed by his faith in all that is good will drop a sorrowing tear. And the children will miss him most of all.

#### THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 25—New England declared war against the Indians. Small pox at that time was devastating both American colonists and their enemies.

1724—A violent persecution of the Protestants begun in France.

1799—Battle of Aboukir, with disastrous defeat of the Turks, Arabs and Mamelukes, by the French under Bonaparte.

1814—Americans defeated the English at Lady's Lake.

1840—Officers of American exploring expedition to Fiji Islands massacred by natives.

1863—Jefferson Davis appointed August 11 as a day of fasting and prayer on account of the late reverses of the Confederate arms.

1868—Territory of Wyoming formed from strips of Dakota, Utah and Idaho.

1894—War declared between China and Japan.

1898—United States Army under Gen. Miles landed at Guanica, Porto Rico, which surrendered. The surrender of Ponce followed on July 28.

1904—Russians defeated at Tashih-Chiao by Japanese.

1907—Japanese assumed control of Korea.

1913—Chinese rebels were repulsed with loss in a night attack on Shanghai.

1915—THE WAR—Serbia concedes all of Austria's demands save that of Austrian participation in the investigation of the murder of Archduke Ferdinand at Sarajevo. Serbian reply considered unsatisfactory by Austria, and Austrian ambassador leaves Belgrade; first open rupture of the Great War.

1914—THE WAR—American steamer Leelanaw sunk by a German submarine off the coast of Scotland; crew saved. British take town of Nasiriyah on the Euphrates, after shelling by gunboat. The Turks evacuate and retreat to the north. Austrians gain important strategic position south of Sokol, in Galicia. Further successful advance in Poland reported by the Germans.

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#### NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 25.

Queen Elizabeth of Belgium, one of the most appealing figures of the Great War, is 40 years old today. She and King Albert, her consort, king and queen without a kingdom, have for their dignity and courage in the face of overwhelming misfortune enlisted the sympathies of the world as have no other royal personages in modern times. Queen Elizabeth's case is especially pathetic, as she was born a German princess, daughter of Duke Theodore of Bavaria, and the despoilers of her rights and ravagers of her country are her own people. Her cousin, Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, commands one of the German armies which invaded France and Belgium, and the Crown Prince of Germany was one of her playmates when she was a little girl. Queen Elizabeth's fortitude and devotion to Belgium's cause and her brave little army since the beginning of the war have excited enthusiastic admiration, and she has become a world heroine. She has insisted upon remaining near the King at the front, where he commands his heroic little army on the little strip of land in Flanders which is still Belgium, and her activities for

the soldiers and for her stricken people in general have been endless. America's help and generosity have deeply stirred her heart, and she has often expressed for American women feelings of the warmest affection. The Queen is still a beautiful woman, slender and elegant. She was married at 23 to Albert, then heir to the throne, who succeeded King Leopold in 1909. She was always of a serious and scholarly turn of mind, and soon became known as a patron of science, literature and art, while her simplicity and kindness enlisted the affection of the mass of the Belgian people. The royal couple have three children, the eldest of whom, Prince Leopold, heir to the throne, is at the front with his father.

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#### VALUES SHOW BIG INCREASE DESPITE MEXICAN TROUBLE

COUNTY VALUES INCREASE A QUARTER OF A MILLION.

And in the List the Big Showing is Attributed to Laredo's Prosperity and General Building Up.

As an evidence of the fact that Laredo and Webb county have experienced a steady and prosperous growth during the past year there is no better criterion than the assessed property valuations shown rendered by the tax rolls of the county tax assessor. The building activity that has characterized the progressiveness of Laredo during the past year has tended to stimulate property values in the county and also increase the value of property in all parts of the city of Laredo.

Most of the increase in valuations shown on the rendered tax rolls of the county assessor is attributed to the prosperity of Laredo, although some of the small towns of the county have materially increased their taxable valuations through improvements made the past year.

Last year the total city and county valuations of property amounted to \$6,689,490, while this year it aggregates a total of \$7,027,505, or an increase of \$337,105. To be added to these totals are the intangible values of 1915 amounting to \$1,816,205, which brings the grand total for last year up to \$8,495,695, while to the total city and county valuations of this year are to be added intangible values aggregating \$1,677,410, making the grand total of all values of the city and county and intangibles aggregate \$8,704,915, or an increase in values for 1915 over 1914 of a total of \$208,210.

Despite the fact that Laredo is immediately located on the Texas border and it was generally expected that the Mexican trouble would conduce to holding down realty deals and construction, nevertheless the increase in valuations this year over last year is almost a quarter of a million dollars, which is considered an excellent criterion of the general prosperity of Laredo and Webb county under rather adverse circumstances.

#### MAY HEAD "SNOOZERS CLUB"

Missouri Soldier Who Sleeps Day and Night, Having "Sleeping Ailment," Beats All Laredo Siesta Takers.

There is one young man in the Missouri camp who is certainly not afflicted with insomnia and is now fully acclimated to Laredo and contracted a "siesta" habit that surpasses the prevalent custom here by some degrees. And it is all due to an attack of nostalgia which he is suffering because he has not heard from the folks back home. "The letter that never came" seems to have given him a lethargic spell that is protracted—he has the "sleeping ailment" and has been asleep almost constantly since Saturday afternoon; so say his companions.

The man reported thus suffering from a nervous spell that produces the "sleeping ailment" is said to be Private George W. Regans of Co. B, Second Missouri Regiment, whose home is in Carthage, Mo. Regans became dependent on Saturday because a letter which he was expecting failed to materialize, so he lay down and went to sleep. Some of his comrades thought it was just a "siesta" and that he would be alright in a little while.

But Saturday night came and still he snoozed. He slept throughout Saturday night and Sunday, awoke at intervals on Sunday night and then went back to the arms of Morpheus. Sometimes, say some of the boys, he "snoops with one eye open" and snores through only one of the nasal apertures, while at other times he snores in unison through both nasal openings. But now he is said to be coming out of the protracted sleep.

It is very probable that if Regans wants the honor he can be elected head of the Laredo Siesta Club, which has a membership of about 5,000 and is composed of both sexes, but he is "par excellence" as a snoozer and there would be no disputing his title to be "chief snoozer" of the club. He's got the habit alright.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROOM.

On Account of so Many Catholic Gentlemen Being at Camp Missouri Special Room to Be Provided Them.

In the ranks and on the official staff of the Missouri National Guard encamped in this city there are many Knights of Columbus and Catholic Knights of America, in fact a great per cent of the soldier boys are Roman Catholic, and with them are hundreds of Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus, the strongest Roman Catholic fraternal order in the world, is composed of representative Catholic gentlemen. Here in Camp Missouri the men are to be kept together in their associations and to that end a recreation and reading room is to be erected on the grounds immediately, to be located near the brigade headquarters.

Special Supreme Agent W. J. Moriarty of Washington, D. C., and Joseph J. Jorgens of Laredo, members of the K. of C., yesterday closed arrangements for the erection and equipment of the recreation and reading room and it will be erected immediately. It will be 24 feet wide by 48 feet long.

Look Good—Feel Good.

Nt one can either feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, draggish, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box today, take one or two pills to-night. In the morning that stuffed, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c. at your druggist.

### MISSOURI SIGNAL COMPANY

GOES TO FORT SAM HOUSTON

WITH OTHER MILITIA ORGANIZATIONS TO TAKE INSTRUCTIONS

And Work Hand in Hand With the Regulars, So That Work of Two Conform and Efficiency Attained.

Company A, Signal Corps, Missouri National Guard, from Kansas City, Mo., Captain Ruby D. Garrett commanding, left today for San Antonio, where they will go into camp at Fort Sam Houston with other militia signal corps organizations which will come from all points along the border and go under instruction there with the regular army signal organizations.

The proposition is to get all the militia signal corps instructed in and aligned on the signal work and to study out regulations conforming to the work of the corps in the field so that they make all become efficient and work in unison and fully comprehensive to each other should occasion arise to work present militia signal corps in conjunction with the regular army organizations.

The Kansas City company is efficient in its work and has attended numerous camps of instruction in Missouri, but it is to make the men efficient in every way and that their work conform with that of the regular army men that the war department and General Funston has ordered that all militia signal corps companies be assembled at Fort Sam Houston at once so that instruction and work together be taken up as soon as possible.



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## LITTLE LOCALS

—Mrs. Maria Stroud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruni of this city is now making her home at Hebbronville, where she has taken the management of the City Hotel, one of the leading hostleries of that town. Mrs. Stroud hopes that all her Laredo friends, who happen to go to Hebbronville will stop at her hotel and she assures them a nice cool and clean room, good table and every courtesy.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office, 10-11-tf.

—The soldier boys at Camp Missouri are preparing for the publication of a weekly camp newspaper to be called the "Sentinel." The paper will be edited, composed and published by practical newspapermen and printers among the Missouri soldiery and will start out with a liberal patronage from the business men of Laredo.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-26-tf.

—It is reported that within a few days several thousand more militiamen will be sent to Laredo, these including some who are now stationed in Fort Sam Houston. The new camp on the Heights, which has been put in readiness for use by soldiery, will, it is said, be used for a campsite by the next arrivals.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf (Adv.)

—The importations through this port today from Mexico consisted of three carloads of lard and one carload of hides. Yesterday there were about two trainloads of calamine entered through this port from Mexico.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf. (Adv.)

—Quite a number of improvements are being made at the Maine and Missouri Camps and the militia boys are fixing up things so that they will conform to home life. And now that they have become acclimated and are fattening on Rio Grande water, many of the boys assert that "Laredo is not so bad a place after all."

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

—An addition is being made to the International Garage on Farragut street. Additions and improvements generally are the order of the day in Laredo.

## Why Endure Summer Colds?

It isn't necessary to have a stuffed head, running nose. To cough your head off as it were. All you need do is to use Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. The soothing and healing balsams open the clogged air passages and in a short time you get relief and start on the road to recovery. Your nose stops running, you cough less and you know you are getting better. Get a bottle, use as directed. Keep what is left as a cough and cold insurance.

## Buy It at Home.

It has come to our notice that even business men will send out of town for goods not kept in their own stores—and for them criticism could not be severe enough were it not for the fact that orders are sent out unconsciously, supposing that the one order is not perceptible. The one order may not be, but the aggregate of all the orders is nearly equal to one-third of all the goods sold in Yoakum.—Yoakum Herald.

Th Augusta team, which finished at the top in the first half of the South Atlantic league season, is making a strong bid for second half in the season. Unless there will be no stopped pretty soon there will be no post-season series in the Saly circuit. Without the services of dependable heavies, "Iron Man" Joe McGinnity has had to jump in and pitch overtime in order to keep his Butte team up in the Northwestern league race.

## GOOD RAINS ON TEXAS-MEXICAN

Places Along the Line Were "Soaked" Yesterday, While in Some Instances Rain Skipped Others.

Around Realitos, and covering a stretch of territory about three or four miles wide, a regular deluge of rain fell yesterday afternoon, while there were good rains closer to Laredo at Bruni and again at Pescadito. There was also a nice shower at the target range to within four miles of Laredo, but the real heavy rain was at and around Realitos.

While the rain yesterday was in spots, nevertheless all the country between Laredo and Corpus Christi has been thoroughly soaked within the past ten days and the recuperative qualities of the ranges are all ready manifesting themselves and soon cattle will be in a thriving condition.

## DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Democrats of Webb County Will Assemble in County Convention Saturday Night; a List of Delegates.

For the information of many of those who are not aware of the fact of their selection as delegates from their precinct to the Webb County Democratic convention to be held at the county court house in this city on Saturday evening, July 29, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, the Times herewith publishes a partial list of the delegates, others not being obtainable at this time. The delegates are as follows:

Precinct No. 1—A. J. Condren, Francisco Sanchez Garza, John Maher, C. R. Molina, M. G. Benavides, Eugene Christen, J. R. Moore, W. T. Hill, Pedro Sanchez, Julian Slaughter.

Precinct No. 2—A. M. Bruni, O. J. Cook, A. H. Dodder, Cristobal Farias, H. Ligarde, D. C. de Lachica, E. E. Ochoa, E. B. Ochoa, Geo. R. Page, Miguel Peña, J. A. Rodriguez, Emeterio Mendoza, G. R. Jimenez, Wm. Henry.

Precinct No. 3—C. F. Clafflin, C. M. de la Garza, J. T. Harrison, B. J. Leyendecker, J. P. Leyendecker, Joe Moser, Robt. C. Muller, Jos. Netzer, John A. Valls, H. F. Valdez, J. S. Westbrook, H. W. Greer, J. M. Martin, S. A. Westbrook, Pat Villareal, Leopoldo Villegas.

Precinct No. 4—C. C. Biggio, Robt. McComb, J. J. Czar, P. P. Leyendecker, T. C. Mann, C. H. Stowers, J. N. Worsham, A. V. Woodman, L. J. Christen.

Precinct No. 8—Jose Jamora, Humberto Rodriguez.

Precinct No. 10—M. H. Rodriguez, A. M. Bruni.

Precinct No. 12—J. S. Johnston.

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## DISASTROUS TRAIN WRECK.

Entire Train Was Derailed, Resulting in the Death of Engineer, Mailing of Fireman; Passengers Injured.

According to advices received in Nuevo Laredo this morning, a disastrous train wreck occurred yesterday afternoon between Morales and Salinas on the National Lines of Mexico, when the passenger train northbound went into the ditch, killing the engineer outright, cutting both legs off the fireman and causing the injury of twenty or more passengers.

According to the report received in Nuevo Laredo, the injured have been taken to Salinas for treatment, and may be removed to Monterey, while the dead engineer was sent to his home at Saltillo.

## Biliousness and Stomach Trouble.

"Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach troubles and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbryske, Lima, Ohio. "I could eat very little food that agreed with me and I became so dizzy and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly." Obtainable everywhere.

## MUCH LEGAL TALENT ENGAGED.

Notable Suit of Thomas O'Connor vs. Dario Sanchez Again on Trial Here and Many Lawyers in It.

The now notable case of Thomas O'Connor vs. Dario Sanchez, a trespass to try title suit to a large tract of land near Palafos, and in which there are numerous parties interested, was called in the district court again this morning before Special Judge Ed. H. Weeks. This case has been in the courts since 1903 and was on trial at the last term of court.

Nearly every attorney in Laredo has a part to play in the trial of this case, while there are also attorneys here from Corpus Christi, San Antonio and other places, all representing some of the interested claimants.

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## SOCIETY

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## SOCIAL CALENDAR.

## Wednesday.

Red Cross Class in First Aid met this morning at nine o'clock at Elks Hall.

Mrs. M. T. Cogley was hostess to the Nullos Club at half after nine o'clock in the morning.

## Thursday.

The Thursday Sewing Club will meet with Mrs. Yesner at four o'clock in the afternoon.

## Tender-Sweet.

If you use a little laughter and you use a little song.

You will find your world is never gonna go so very wrong.

If you spread a little kindness on the other man's distress.

If you use a little sweetness and a little tenderness.

If you stoop sometimes to sort of lift another fellow's load.

You will find that all of these things you have found the time to do.

In some happy form or other will come laughin' back at you.

That's a pretty good religion, that's the kind the master tried.

He just chose a way of kindness and of sweetness, and he died.

Hanging on the rough spikes piercing through his tender hands and feet.

And through all that he had suffered still his smile was tender-sweet.

And the way his hurt feet walked in is an open way to you.

But no spikes await you in it; and each kindly thing you do.

To the fellows all about you in the way you go along.

Will come back to you in laughin' and in lovin' and in song.

—Judd Mortimer Lewis, on Houston Post.

## General Mention.

Miss Lillian Irwin returned yesterday from a pleasant stay in Corpus Christi.

Miss Elizabeth Merriman, who is spending the summer at Mesilla Park, New Mexico, writes that she is having a splendid time.

Miss Ruth Seratchley will leave Thursday night for San Marcos to join Mrs. Eula Ward in a camping party at Wimberly. Miss Seratchley will visit different points in the state before returning to Laredo.

Mrs. Fred Werner will accompany Miss Miriam as far as San Antonio Thursday night and will remain a short time.

Mr. John Loftus came in from Dolores yesterday and will remain for several days.

Mrs. E. F. Wager returned home yesterday morning.

Mrs. John B. Morton and little daughter, Dorothy, returned home yesterday from a few weeks visit to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Justo S. Penn and children returned home yesterday from a short visit to Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Burr and children returned home yesterday from a few weeks visit to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. J. P. Leyendecker and children returned home yesterday from a visit to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. E. E. Sharkey and daughter, Miss Vera returned home yesterday from a visit to Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Herrera and children returned home yesterday from a visit to Corpus Christi.

Miss Emma Wright returned home yesterday from a visit to relatives and friends at Benavides.

Alfred Murphy of Brownsville arrived in the city yesterday for a short business visit.

Hon. and Mrs. Marshall Hicks of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and have apartments at the Hamilton. Mr. Hicks is attending the district court, while Mrs. Hicks is visiting friends for a few days.

## Red Cross Notes.

The young ladies of Laredo, Mexicans as well as Americans, are requested to meet at Elks Hall tomorrow morning at ten o'clock to plan for a "Jamaica" which is to be given at a date to be announced later for the benefit of the Red Cross. All are

## PERSONALS

BENDER:—J. F. Durham, G. W. Thompson, Tampico; Thos. Guihen, Edward Arnold, A. Stern, San Antonio; Wm. Blenke, Cincinnati, O.; Geo. S. James, San Antonio; J. Donnell, Austin; F. M. Huggins, Meridian, Id.; Y. Garza Sada, Monterey; W. Favis, San Antonio; Geo. S. Halley, New York; E. Robinson, San Antonio; J. S. Daugherty, Houston; D. J. Moran, Wm. Subrey, J. E. O'Neil, San Antonio; Amorle Frach, Chicago.

## LITERAL-MINDED MAID.

The favored suitor rang the door-bell. "Is Miss Blank at home?" he inquired.

"Oh, yes, sir," replied the maid, and she ushered him into the drawing room.

Having waited for almost an hour he summoned the maid again.

"Did you forget to tell Miss Blank that I was here?" he asked impatiently.

"No sir," was the reply. "Miss Blank hasn't got back from shopping yet."

"But you said she was at home."

"Yes, sir. She told me positively that she was always at home to you, sir."

## Comfort Bags for Milmo Rifles.

It seems as though everybody has been most generous in giving towards the different calls that have been made as regards the entertainment of the Guardsmen who recently arrived in Laredo, and also for the hospital equipment for the sick soldiers. There is now a plea from the "well soldiers" for some comfort bags. The bags are most acceptable and can be made of cretonne and filled with an assortment of useful articles, and they would be much appreciated by the recipients. Some of the Guardsmen have been heard to say that they would give their kingdom—not for a horse, but a jar of cold cream or mentholatum. The fact that citizens take such a practical interest in the welfare of our soldiers has made a marked impression upon the latter, and has promoted contentment and efficiency in the military service. All who feel as if they could or will contribute to this fund for the comfort bags can do so either by leaving their contributions at The Times office or by turning them in to any one of the chairmen of the various branches of the Red Cross. Any donations will be acceptable. "Large oaks from little acorns grow," and a few cents given in this way will bring cheer to some lonesome soldier. The roster of the Milmo Rifles will be used so that each man from Laredo gets a bag.

## Dance.

Ladies Night at Ninth Infantry Club last evening was a very delightful affair, and dancing was the feature of the evening's entertainment. A refreshment course consisting of ices and cakes was served during the evening, and among those present were: Colonel and Mrs. R. A. Brown, Captain and Mrs. Read, Captain and Mrs. J. J. Ryan, Mesdames King, Jackman, Lobdell, Bell; Misses Myrtle and Ethel Mackin, Alma Dibrell, Clarice Ryan, Helen, Margaret and Kathryn MacGregor, Louise Muller; Courtney Slaughter; Major Heavey; Captains Smith, Horn, Loeb, Weiborn, Lieutenants Jones, Garrison, Wingate, Hobson, Gill, Leavenworth, Harrison, Moore, Woodruff, Metcalfe, Messrs. Bob Ennis, Jack Lobdell, Seymour Denike, Tom Austin, Mr. Mullikin of San Antonio, and others.

## Nullos Club.

The members of the Nullos Club were royally entertained this morning at half past nine o'clock by Mrs. M. T. Cogley. The guests enjoyed auction bridge on the north veranda, and the result of the contest was the high score member prize, a crocheted edge Turkish towel, awarded Miss Amar Penn, and the high score guest prize, a crocheted edge centerpiece, was won by Mrs. Robt. McComb. A delicious two-course luncheon was served at eleven o'clock. The members present were: Mesdames Agnes D. Huberich, A. C. Hamilton, Miss Penn and the hostess. The guests were: Mesdames Robert McComb and Albert Martin and Miss De Rosette Thomas.

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## CARRANZA IS DELAYING ANSWER BECAUSE WORRYING OVER SCOPE OF THE COMMISSION

President Wilson Says Guardsmen are not Here for Drill Purposes but to Protect the Border—Senate Adopted Amendment to Increase Pay of Soldiers on the Border Even Though on American Soil.

## AUSTRIA WORRIED AT RUSSIAN LIES

CLAIMS ONLY 100,000 PRISONERS WERE TAKEN WHILE RUSSIANS CLAIMED 266,000

## PRISONERS.

## By Associated Press.

The British have won the village of Pozieres after a several days' struggle, ondon says. It also reports the capture from the Germans of two small trenches on either side of the village. The Russian drive in Turkish Armenia resulted in the evacuation of the fortress of Erzincan by the Turks, Petrograd claims. The Turks are said to be retiring in disorder, leaving the guns and ammunition. Sivas, 130 miles west of Erzincan, will be the new base, military observers believe.

## Claim Number Exaggerated.

London, July 26.—A statement issued by the Austro-Hungarian general staff says that only 100,000 soldiers were taken prisoners by the Russians during the present offensive, according to a Buda-Pest despatch. The state brands as untrue the claim of the Russians that they took 266,000, declaring that there were less than that number who participated on the front where the captures occurred.

## British Steamer Sunk.

London, July 26.—An Algiers despatch to Lloyd's says that the British steamer Olive, 2,396 tons, has been sunk. The crew was saved.

## Executed Belgian Civilians.

London, July 26.—Six civilians have been executed at Ghent by the Germans. They were charged with "war treason," according to an Amsterdam despatch.

## Got British Biplane.

Berlin, July 26.—A British biplane was shot down by a German submarine near Zebrugge, Belgium, Monday. The German official statement says that two officers in the machine were captured.

## Promise Prompt Answer.

London, July 26.—Replying to the request of American Ambassador Page for expedition of the answer to the American note regarding the detention of mails by British censors, the foreign office today said that the reply would be made as soon as possible.

## American Publisher Detained.

London, July 2.—S. S. McClure, detained by the authorities on his arrival at Liverpool, must return to the United States Saturday, according to government officials, who refuse to allow him to remain in England. The reason is unassigned.

## NATIONAL CONCLAVE OF WOMEN VOTERS.

Cheyenne, Wyo., July 26.—With delegates in attendance from twelve States and the territory of Alaska, the National Council of Women Voters assembled in Cheyenne today for its fourth annual convention. The membership of the council is confined to the women of the enfranchised States. The organization is strictly non-partisan and aims especially to educate women to use the ballot in the interests of the best legislation, and to aid in extending equal suffrage throughout the country. Mrs. Emma Smith De Voe, of Tacoma, is the president of the council and will preside over the four days' sessions.

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J. T. AGAN, Chairman Building Committee. 7-19-16t.

## By Associated Press.

Washington, July 26.—Developments in diplomatic discussions with the de facto government have been at a standstill for five days awaiting Carranza's reply to the suggestions transmitted through Arredondo, it was announced today. The delay is believed to mean that Carranza has encountered some difficulty in deciding upon the scope of the proposed commission's discussions.

## More Pay for Soldiers.

Washington, July 26.—An amendment to the army appropriation bill providing that Guardsmen and regulars serving on the border receive additional foreign duty pay although on duty on American soil was adopted by the senate today.

## Are Not Here for Drill.

Washington, July 26.—The Guard is being kept on the border to protect the country and not for drill, President Wilson wrote to an Indiana woman who complained that her son was being detained on the border.

## SPAIN IS VISITED BY BIG HURRICANE

ELEVEN VICTIMS ALREADY RECOVERED AND EXTENT OF CASUALTIES IS NOT YET KNOWN.

## By Associated Press.

Madrid, Spain, July 26.—A hurricane is ravaging the provinces of Zaragoza, Soria, Valladolid, Leon and Opontevida. The village of Torreon is in ruins. The bodies of eleven victims have been recovered. The total casualties are unknown.

## ROAD MONEY FOR TEXAS.

## By Associated Press.

Washington, July 26.—The Southern states have been allotted \$850,000 of the \$5,000,000 federal road fund for the fiscal year under the federal road act, the department of agriculture announced today. Texas gets the largest state sum, \$291,927.

## STRIKE IS FORECAST.

## By Associated Press.

Chicago, July 26.—Railroad brotherhood officials are completing the count of the vote which confidential reports from all over the country say will empower the leaders of four trainmen brotherhoods to call a strike. Engineers, firemen, trainmen and conductors are involved.

## READY FOR LAND DRAWING

Spokane, Wash., July 26.—Thousands of home-seekers are on the tip-toe of expectation today, for within another twenty-four hours they will learn their luck in the matter of securing a desirable homestead in the Colville reservation, recently declared open to settlement. John McPhaul, superintendent of the opening and sale of the reservation lands, has completed all arrangements for the great drawing, which will commence here tomorrow. Cards containing the names of more than 20,000 men and women who filed at the five registration points, have been placed in sealed cans are now in the custody of Superintendent McPhaul. Tomorrow morning the cans will be publicly opened and the drawing will commence. The person whose name is first drawn will be given first choice in the selection of a homestead. The drawing will continue until all the parcels of land have been allotted.

## Taking Big Chances.

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.

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## RESCUE PARTIES IN SEARCH FOR BODIES

BELIEVED THAT ONLY ELEVEN BODIES REMAIN IN WATER.

## WORKS TUNNEL UNDER LAKE ERIE.

## By Associated Press.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 26.—Rescue forces today are attempting to penetrate waterworks crib No. 5 in Lake Erie where the bodies of the unrecovered dead in Monday night's disaster remain. Waterworks officials believe there are eleven bodies in the tunnel instead of twelve, as previously estimated. If this is true, the total dead will be 21 instead of 22.

## NEW DOMINICAN PRESIDENT.

Domingo, July 26.—Federico Henriquez Carvajal was proclaimed provisional president of Santo Domingo by congress today, succeeding Juan Isidoro Jimenez.

## EPIDEMIC STILL RAGING.

## By Associated Press.

New York, July 26.—Thirty-five children died and 162 new cases of infantile paralysis were reported here in the last 24 hours by the health department.

## RAILROAD PRESIDENT DIES.

## By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Mo., July 26.—F. H. Britton, aged 66 years, president of the Cotton Belt railroad, died at his home here this morning from stomach trouble. He was president of the road for 17 years.

## NEW HAVEN WOULD RETAIN BOAT LINES.

## By Associated Press.

New York, July 26.—Examiner Howell, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, today begins the taking of testimony in this city on the application of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad to continue operation of its steamship lines in New England. The Panama Canal act prohibits joint ownership of competing steamship and railway lines. The New Haven company contends that this prohibition does not apply to its lines.

## HORSE SHOW AT LONG BRANCH.

Long Branch, N. J., July 26.—The twenty-third annual exhibition of the Monmouth County Horse Show association opened here today and will continue until the end of the week. The event is one of the social attractions of the Summer season, and has attracted a large number of well-known people.

## AMERICAN SOCCER TEAM DEPARTS.

New York, July 26.—Sailing on the steamship Frederick VIII today for Europe are the American soccer players who are to test their prowess in a series of games with the star players of Scandinavia. The tour is the result of a joint arrangement concluded by the Swedish National Gymnastic and Sporting Association of Stockholm and the United States Football Association, which is the body governing the sport in this country. The party is made up of a score of expert players selected from teams in Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Fall River, New York, Yonkers, and Bethlehem, Pa. The players are accompanied by a manager and trainer. The contests on the other side are scheduled to begin August 15. The tour will last seven weeks. The principal games be played in Denmark and Holland.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight and Thursday unsettled.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today: Max. temp. 99 degs. Min. temp. 74 degs. General direction of wind: South Clear.



## CARRANZA'S PLANS.

While Carranza is delaying his reply to the latest note from our government, he does not hesitate to give out for publication a statement of his views and his plans, which indicates that a settlement of the difficulties is as far off as ever.

The withdrawal of our troops now in Mexico, of course, is the most important point to Carranza. This would lead one to believe that he is not honest in his statements that he desires nothing so much as peace with this country, for if he would only let our troops alone they would aid in the pacification of the country which he claims is his present aim.

So far as his desire for the "vigilance of the border" is concerned, this is another example of the duplicity of the discredited first chief. If he had the troops he claimed, he could have guarded the border and prevented the incursions of the armed bandits—both Carrancistas and Villistas—without any trouble. But his attitude toward our government has always been one of veiled hostility, and his actions have convinced every one open to conviction that he had no desire to prevent the incursions and led to the suspicion that he has profited by them.

If the border guard is to be carried on by this country we shall be under an enormous expense for several years to come, as the small forces which Carranza is able to control are all needed in maintaining his ridiculous pretensions to power and to subdue the sporadic risings in all parts of the republic.

It is evident that his claim of friendship for the United States is merely dictated by a desire to get all the arms and ammunition he can, and to keep his ragged, starving troops in no worse condition than at present. His "friendship" was proved by his orders to attack our forces if they moved in any direction except toward the border.

With regard to the elections which he announces, they would be the veriest farce. Right across the river from Laredo there are many thousands of dollars worth of property now held by people who have not the slightest claim to it. The real owners are in Laredo and other American cities. They have no voice in the matter, and they do not vote for an honest municipal administration, but must leave the election in the hands of Carranza's creatures, who calmly proceed to "sequester" everything they can get their hands on, setting up the charge of "scientific" and "reactionary" against every property owner to prevent his coming back and ousting them.

The same would be the case in every city and town now held by the Carranza troops, while in cities where they are not the dominant faction Carranza would refuse to recognize the elections as "legal."

There is not a municipality in Mexico occupied by a Carranza garrison which would permit an opponent of the Carranza party to cast a vote. And the delegates to the conventions, the deputies and senators of the national congress, the state and municipal officers would all be elected at the point of the bayonet. So much for "constitutionalism!"

Carranza prates of having "driven the usurper (Huerta) from power," when every Mexican as well as every American knows that it was President Wilson who drove Huerta from Mexico and that Villa was the man who won every battle of the Carrancista forces up to the time when Carranza, crazed with the lust of power, quarrelled with Villa and forced the new revolution.

Carranza has not the slightest hope of ever ruling Mexico without the backing—moral and physical—of the United States. He knows this as well as our government knows it, and yet he insists upon dickering with our administration for some concessions in the demands we have made.

If the interview given the Associated Press represents Carranza's real answer to the proposition for a commission to settle the border troubles, he is doomed to defeat, for no self-respecting people could ever listen to such propositions as his. And particularly not a government which has insisted upon the legality and regularity of the elections by which the Mexican president must come in to power.

## NOT HERE FOR DRILL.

A woman in Indiana wrote to the president complaining that her son was being "detained" on the border and Mr. Wilson promptly wrote back that the troops were kept on the border for the protection of the country, not for drill.

It is hard for those at a distance to appreciate the present situation. Indeed, many of the Guardsmen now here seem not to appreciate the fact that the troops withdrawn from the frontier there would be a repetition of the raids and the robberies which were the primary cause for their being sent here.

The preparation for actual conflict with Mexico is only secondary to the necessity for so guarding the border that the Mexicans shall recognize the futility of attacking us. We do not want to force a war upon Mexico, despite the belief of many that the border people are all bent upon intervention. We have proved that intervention must inevitably come, but we are determined that it shall come through no act of ours.

Many of the Guardsmen have been members of the various state organizations for some years. They enlisted in peace times when there was no war cloud hovering over the nation. They were satisfied to be subject to call in case of war, but they resent the fact that they may be called out without actual hostilities having commenced. It is likely that some of them will never again enter the service even should they be needed.

In some ways the service is disheartening to the Guardsmen. Most days are left good positions, business ventures of their own, or professional occupations in which they were earn-

ing many times what their soldier pay amounts to.

Many of them were convinced that war was so imminent that they might not reach the border before it was declared. They were content to serve in actual war, but are not satisfied to do mere guard duty at \$15 per month while their work or their business is suffering.

Their families are meeting with the same hardships during the enforced absence of their breadwinners as though the men were actually in the interior of Mexico. The pay is so small that when a Guardsman buys himself any little ordinary luxuries he has not much left to send home.

But it should be understood that this service is actually as necessary as would be a fight in a stricken field. It is fully as important to prevent the marauding bands crossing our line as it would be to stand up in front of a cavalry charge or to dig into the trenches to avoid shrapnel fire.

There are not many of the Guardsmen who are finding fault. Although the majority of them expected to be in Mexico by this time, most of the clear-thinking men amongst them—enlisted as well as commissioned—understand that they are doing a great service for their country, and are content to put in the time as best they may.

Indeed, many of them are sensible enough to consider how much better is their lot at present than it would be in case of actual hostilities and an invasion of Mexico. Here they have plenty of water, ice to cool it, good food well cooked, amusements—such as they are—and a life of ease compared with what they would have to undergo in the field.

The pay probably will be increased. In accordance with an amendment adopted by the senate, the army bill, and everything will be done to care for the soldiers as well if not better than those of previous campaigns.

But the best advice that can be given to those in the service is to "Grin and bear it." The soldiers of past wars are smiling over the woes of the Guardsmen now in the service and considering what most of them went through, the lot of the men now on border duty is not either difficult or discouraging. "The worst is yet to come."

The Austrians are complaining of the terrible mendacity of the Russians and declare that only 100,000 prisoners were captured by the Russians, instead of 256,000 as the latter claimed. If we were to lose 100,000 men we wouldn't have enough left to guard a waterhole.

The waterworks authorities in Cleveland are careful to point out that only twenty-one men were killed in the tunnel explosion. Instead of the twenty-two first reported. Unless the extra man was a high official we don't see what particular difference it makes. It sure was a plenty.

Texas is to get nearly three hundred thousand dollars for good roads. If the project to build a road between Eagle Pass and Laredo is brought up again, that amount will be about enough for a survey.

Spain has been ravaged by a hurricane, and one reads with interest that the village of Torreon is in ruins. Sounds as if Villa had been somewhere around.

A bad taste in the mouth comes from disordered stomach, and back of that is usually a torpid liver.—A condition which invites disease. HERBINE is the remedy needed. It corrects the stomach and makes the liver active and regular. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

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J. T. AGAN.

Chairman Building Committee.  
7-19-10t.

## NO WORD IS RECEIVED HERE REGARDING THE AMERICANS

OF THE BLAYLOCK COLONY WHO FLED TO THE MOUNTAINS.

Emissary Dispatched to the Vicinity of Where Americans Supposed to Be Hiding Not Heard From.

Momentarily word is expected to reach Laredo regarding the welfare of the ninety-four Americans of the Blaylock colony who when last heard from had fled to the mountains of Chama, about one hundred miles inland from Tampico, and who had not since been heard from. It is feared that they have suffered at the hands of the Carrancistas, who are said to have threatened the American men, women and children with dire consequences if they did not comply with certain concessions asked by the Mexicans.

An emissary of the United States government was dispatched to the section where the Americans are said to be in hiding several days ago with instructions to provide every member of the colony with transportation to the border and advise them of conditions that existed. The emissary should have reached Chama several days ago, but so far no report has been received from him by United States Consul Garrett, who is handling the matter from Laredo.

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## NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 27

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Look Good—Feel Good. No one can either feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, draggy, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box today, take one or two pills at night. In the morning that stuffy, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c. at your druggist.

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writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 27

1757—Franklin reached London as Colonial agent.  
1794—Overthrow of Robespierre, denouement of the French Revolution, and end of the Reign of Terror. Robespierre and 20 of his party were guillotined the following day.  
1842—Canton, China, opened to British trade.  
1866—First successful Atlantic cable completed and messages exchanged.  
1870—Empress Eugenie of France declared Regent of France during the absence of Napoleon III at the front in the Franco-Prussian War.  
1880—St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, scene of bloody struggle in recent Irish Rebellion, formally opened to the public.  
1911—Liner Empress of China stranded off Japanese coast and her 1855 passengers rescued by Japanese cruisers.  
1913—Chinese Government captured the Hukow forts in Kiangsi Province from the rebels by a joint land and naval attack.  
1915—President Vilhelm Guillaume of Haiti dragged out of the French legation at Port-au-Prince, where he had taken refuge, and shot by the Revolutionists. First direct wireless communication established between Japan and the United States. International Lord's Day Congress at Oakland, Cal., with 22 countries represented.  
1914—THE WAR:  
England appealed to Austria, Serbia and Russia to suspend hostilities pending an operative mediation conference to which France, Germany and Italy were bidden. General mobilization of the Serbian army. Mobilization of five Russian army corps. Partial mobilization of Austria. Strict Austrian censorship declared.  
1915—THE WAR:  
Austrians make air raid on Verona, historic Italian town.

MR. VALLS ANSWERS ARREDONDO  
THROUGH GOVERNOR FERGUSONSENDS LETTER TO TEXAS EXECUTIVE THAT IS MASTERLY  
PAPER AND GIVES SOME REAL FACTSTells the Governor of Matter of Which Mexican Ambassador  
Protests and Governor Forwards Letter  
to Secretary Lansing.

A letter compiled in a masterly manner and treating in full detail on matters pertaining to the Mexican question in this immediate section, together with data concerning Emeterio Flores, Leo D. Walker and Melquiades Garcia, and the parts they played through El Progreso to incite ill-feeling between Mexicans and Americans, is the document written by District Attorney John A. Valls of this city and sent to Governor Ferguson, who in turn transmitted it to Secretary of State Lansing at Washington in order that he inform Ambassador Arredondo on certain matters in which he became officious and asked for an investigation. Mr. Valls' letter in full is as follows:

Laredo, Texas, July 13th, 1916.  
Hon. John L. Wroor, Secretary to the Governor, Austin, Texas.  
Dear Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 11th instant enclosing a letter from His Excellency, Robert Lansing, Secretary of State, and a copy of a letter to Mr. Lansing from Mr. E. Arredondo, the representative in Washington of the de facto government of Mexico.

These letters request information concerning an alleged attack in Laredo on the persons of Emeterio Flores and Leo D. Walker, whom Mr. Arredondo designates as "Mexican citizens."

I did not reply to your letter immediately because my time has been devoted during the entire week to the prosecution of four Mexican citizens, members of a band who so cruelly murdered our soldiers in the raid at San Ignacio on the 15th day of last month. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and assessed the penalty of death. These four Mexican citizens testified under oath that they belonged to the Constitutional Army of Mexico, that the band that attacked San Ignacio consisted of seventy-five men and that they were publicly organized and equipped in Monterey and Jarita with the full knowledge of the officers of the de facto Government of Mexico.

With reference to Emeterio Flores I beg to attach herewith a certified copy of his declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States and also a certificate establishing the fact that he was consecutively elected for a number of years to the office of County Commissioner of Webb County and that he served and acted in said capacity for several terms. Emeterio Flores voted in this county and participated in our elections for many years. Emeterio Flores in 1912 was convicted in the Federal Court in this city on his plea of guilty under an indictment charging him with a violation of the neutrality laws. It will become my duty to seek the protection of a country whose allegiance he has forsaken and he can be properly classified as a fraud on both governments. According to reliable information Emeterio Flores was neither attacked or molested by our citizens. After the Walker incident Flores went to his home in this city and then of his own volition he subsequently departed from Laredo to make his residence in Mexico.

I suggest that his departure might have been prompted by the lash of conscience. It is a fact that Leo D. Walker was compelled by some American citizens to enter an automobile and he was subsequently conducted to the bank of the Rio Grande and told to go to Mexico and not return. The American citizens informed him this action was taken because they feared his future conduct in Laredo would lead to race riots and bloodshed. They assured him they were acting for the best interests of the community. They used no insulting language to him; they did not throw him into the river as charged by Mr. Arredondo. He was allowed to take off his shoes and he waded across. A few days after this occurred the Grand Jury was convened, that body was composed of the most representative citizens of this county, and while I can not divulge the proceedings of the Grand Jury, yet I assure you that no bill was returned against the men who participated in the Walker incident. Now permit me to relate the facts leading up to this affair and which prompted these citizens to deal thus harshly with Leo Walker.

I desire first to correct the statement made by Mr. Arredondo. Emeterio Flores was not the editor of "El Progreso." Walker was the editor and Flores was the nominal proprietor. Until a few months ago "El Progreso" was owned by Emeterio Flores and Melquiades Garcia, the Consul of the de facto Government in this city. In the absence of Flores the said Mexican Consul was daily in the office of El Progreso directing and controlling its policy and supervising its management. El Progreso had been since the death of Madero the organ of Venustiano Carranza in this section and it is a matter of common knowledge that this paper was subsidized by the de facto Government and practically controlled by it. El Progreso has also ceased publication since the Walker incident.

For several years I have warned, I have advised, I have entreated the Mexican Consul and Emeterio Flores to cease the libelous and inflammatory editorials which appeared in El Progreso. I have prosecuted and con-

victed the editors of libel, but in spite of my prosecutions and in spite of my warnings the editorials increased in virulence and animosity toward the United States. They mistook the liberty of the press for license. The editorials tended to incite one race against the other especially at a time when the relations between the two governments were so delicate and strained. Again and again good citizens have appealed to me to stop these editorials so dangerous to the peace and order of the community. The editorial columns of El Progreso shamefully abused President Wilson and bitterly assailed his administration and the inevitable tendency of this policy was to arouse national animosity on the border.

In the month of May of this year a number of American citizens of Mexican extraction at San Benito offered their services to Governor Ferguson. El Progreso seized this opportunity to bitterly assail those patriotic residents, calling them "idiots," "chink Americans" and declaring it would "not honor the adjective that should be applied to them." Some young men of Laredo of Mexican parentage who had joined the militia appealed to me saying they were American citizens and objected vigorously to such comment on their conduct. The purpose of El Progreso was evident and fearing the consequences of such editorials I immediately ordered the arrest of Leo D. Walker and had him placed under a bond of five thousand dollars conditioned that he would no longer publish libelous articles. The good effect of this proceeding lasted but a short while. A few days preceding the Walker incident I received a letter from a friend in Mexico informing me of certain preparations and predicting the raid at Webb Station.

This prediction was subsequently verified. El Progreso published an editorial commenting on the aforesaid letter saying it had been written in this city and that the author was a well known resident of Laredo. I called at the office of El Progreso and I was there informed that Leo Walker was responsible for the editorial. I sent for Leo Walker, who came to my office and there in the presence of the County Attorney and the County Assessor he acknowledged to me he had knowingly published a deliberate falsehood and would state in the next issue of his paper that very afternoon a few indignant citizens of Laredo escorted Leo Walker to the bank of the river and after explaining to him the necessity for such action ordered him to cross into Mexico and not return.

While I am a firm believer in the rule that every accused is entitled to a trial in accordance with the law of the land, yet, nurtured as I was in the principles of American liberty, I do not admit that my fellow citizens committed a grievous wrong in the Walker incident. While I fully appreciate the loss the de facto government has sustained by a suspension of El Progreso's influence, yet I seriously question the sincerity and the dubious method that government has adopted to secure its restoration. During the Huerta regime its official organ in this section was "El Guardia del Bravo." At the time of the occupation of Vera Cruz by the American troops that newspaper published a series of incendiary articles tending to incite race riots. Foreseeing the consequences of this conduct I went to the office of that paper, closed its doors and threatened to put the editor in jail if his paper appeared again upon our streets. My order was obeyed. El Progreso was the present consul of the de facto Government, was then the official nationalist consul in this city. Emeterio Flores and Melquiades Garcia were then the owners of El Progreso and they can well remember with what feelings and expressions of joy and satisfaction they congratulated my action with reference to "El Guardia del Bravo." The conditions were the same in both cases and if my conduct was correct towards El Guardia del Bravo by what sort of logic does El Progreso hope to escape the same conclusion?

It will become the de facto Government of Mexico to complain of trivial misdemeanors when it has tolerated such cruel and wanton outrages on our own citizens. The de facto Government knows that we have demanded with all the formality of law the extradition of notorious criminals, desperate outlaws who have been a menace to the peace and order of the border, and our requests have been disregarded and those very criminals are today holding commissions in the army of that government. No duplicitous city however crafty and no attitude however arrogant can condone or palliate such conduct.

The recent trials in Webb County of the bandits who murdered our soldiers at San Ignacio and of those who attempted to burn bridge and cut telegraph wires at Webb Station establish the fact that these bands were publicly organized and equipped in Mexico, that they met and mingled with the forces and officers of the de facto Government, that they were furnished transportation in three railroad cars from Monterey to Jarita, that it was widely proclaimed at Monterey that these bands were going to make hostile incursions into Texas, that men high in the councils of the de facto Government were cognizant of the unlawful enterprise, and yet not a finger was raised by that gov-

WILL DECREASE STRENGTH  
OF REGIMENTS NOW HERESTUDENTS TO BE GIVEN CHANCE  
TO RESUME THEIR STUDIESWhile Other Members of Militia to  
Take Advantage of "Dependence"  
Act; Will Cut Down Force Here.

The announcement contained in the dispatches under a Washington date yesterday to the effect that the war department was contemplating arranging for the discharge of all young men now in the army who were college or university students at the time of their enlistment, and that the discharges would be made by the first of September in order that the students could resume their studies at the beginning of the sessions, has created much interest in the military camps in Laredo where are located about 5,000 national of students and guardsmen.

If the discharges of all students are made, and such will be done only on the part of the young men themselves, who must apply for release from service, it will greatly diminish the force of guardsmen located at Laredo and every other point along the Texas border. There are entire commands in the national guards of the various states composed exclusively of students, as exists right here in Laredo, where the Second Maine Regimental (University of Maine) Band, Co. F of the First Missouri and the First Machine Gun Co. are all students and the organizations were formed in colleges. Co. F coming from the Washington University and the machine gun company from St. Louis University. Then there are one or two companies in the New Hampshire regiment that are composed entirely of young men who were applying themselves to the studies of universities or schools of high learning of other classes when the call for the militia to mobilize and move to the border was made.

Many of the Missouri and Maine students now members of the national either of the junior or senior classes of the colleges they are attending, while a few would have graduated this year. Represented in the army are students who were taking courses that would eventually have made them doctors, lawyers, chemists and other professional men.

The news that they will be afforded an opportunity to get a discharge from the military service now that no "eventualities" are anticipated to need them in the field, comes as cheerful tidings to the young men, as many are disappointed in not having the opportunity afforded them to cross the border line and see actual service. The mere fact of their being detained in camp neither benefits them nor the country, hence many will take advantage of the offer made them to get released.

Quite a few of the other men who are members of the various regiments, and who when the call came laid aside their implements of trade and readily responded to the mobilization order, are likewise seeking their discharge, most of the latter being men who have families dependant on them for a livelihood and who, with the meagre salaries earned in the army, can not support their loved ones. Included in the Missouri camp here are several hundred young men who were following the vocation of miners when the "call" came, and these are now satisfied that they have shown their willingness to serve their country, but being that there is "nothing in sight," they will take advantage of the "dependence act" of the army and seek their discharges in order to return home and resume their vocations.

Hence it is to be seen that with the intention of the war department to give discharges to all students who apply for same, and other men taking advantage of the dependence act, some of the companies of regiments here will be practically depleted, while some regiments will be brought far below the minimum in the required complement of men to keep them intact.

## Taking Big Chances.

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.

ernment, to frustrate the cruel and murderous mission.

I therefore charge the de facto Government of Mexico, with rendering financial aid to El Progreso and with operating and controlling on American soil a newspaper bitterly hostile to American institutions and whose continued publication in Laredo would have resulted in riot and bloodshed.

I charge the de facto Government with full responsibility for the recent raids committed in my district, and I charge that those very criminals be indicted with the knowledge and consent, if not the approbation, of the de facto Government.

These are serious charges made with calm deliberation and if I am not able to sustain them I should be publicly reprimanded by my government and dismissed from office with dishonor, otherwise I should be upheld in my endeavors to preserve law and order on the border in spite of the protestations of the de facto Government whose duplicity and arrogance are equaled only by its instability.

Mexican citizens do receive and will receive the full protection of our laws and some of these citizens are numbered among the most prominent and respected residents of this community.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN A. VALLS,

District Attorney.



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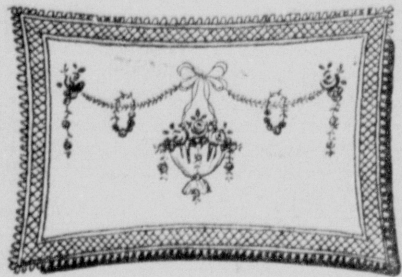




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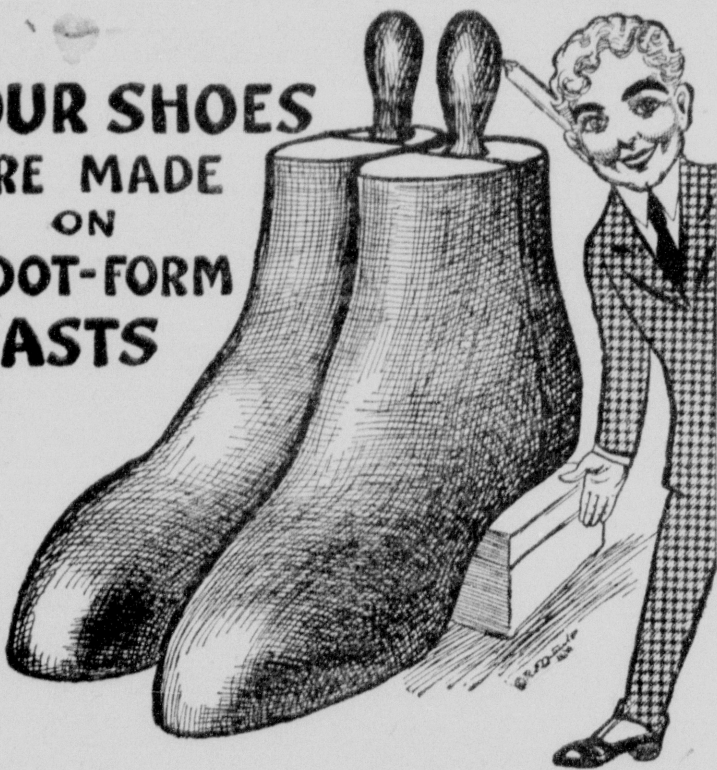
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## APPAM IS NOT PRIZE SAYS FEDERAL COURT

BELONGS TO BRITISH OWNERS  
BECAUSE BROUGHT TO  
NEUTRAL WATERS BY  
THE CAPTORS.

By Associated Press.

Norfolk, Va., July 29.—Federal Judge Waddill today decided libel proceedings for the possession of the captured British liner Appam in favor of the English owners and against the German prize crew which brought her here. The court held that the German government lost all claims when it brought the Appam into the neutral waters of Hampton Roads for the purpose of "laying up" the vessel indefinitely.

May Have to be Interned.

Washington, July 29.—The federal court decision at Norfolk holding that the Appam is not a prize ship confronts the United States government with the problem of what to do with Lieut. Berg and the crew which brought in the ship. Generally speaking, Berg and his men are a part of the German naval forces and might have to be interned until the close of the war.

JUDGMENT WAS SUSTAINED.

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., July 29.—The judgment in favor of E. B. Spiller, secretary of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association, against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad for \$150,000 in excessive freight claims was sustained by the United States district court today after the railroad had appealed from the ruling of the interstate commerce commission.

ASKED FOR CLEMENCY.

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 29.—By a vote of 46 to 19 the senate today adopted a resolution requesting President Wilson to transmit to the British government an expression of hope that it would exercise clemency in the treatment of Irish political prisoners. The senate overturned the majority report of the foreign relations committee and followed the course outlined by the minority report.

BASEBALL GOSSIP.

Chicago experts advise keeping an eye on the White Sox. Nothing doing. It's a waste of eyesight.

Ah, gravity! Manager Fielder Jones, of the Browns, points out that his team still has 17 games to play with the Mackmen.

Not the least perplexing angle of the Cincinnati-New York trade was the fact that "Old Master" Mathewson asked to be traded to the Reds.

With Tommy Leach, Arthur Devlin and Charlie Dooin pastiming with their team, Rochester folk can have a regular "Old Home Week" celebration.

Rube Marquard, the Brooklyn twirler, has about abandoned hopes of duplicating last season's batting performance. In 1915 Rube hit for .109, or fifty points above his present average.

"Home Run" Baker had just reached 13 in the season's stolen base record when he crashed into the grandstand or fell into the Yanks' dugout, or met with some other disastrous mishap that cut him out of the game.

Manager "Smiling Bill" Donovan may have to rely upon his mascot and bat boy to bring home the pennant, if the Yankee's stars continue to fall by the wayside as a result of injuries.

"Buck" Herzog has certainly been the finest kind of trading material for the Giants. With the former Cincinnati pilot again in a Giant uniform, McGraw must be about ready to put over another big deal.

Members of the "pioneer society" are deeply interested in the work of Comrade Fred Beebe with the Cleveland Indians. Comrade Beebe must be the oldest pitcher wearing big yard spangles, since he was born Dec. 31, the last day of the year.

American league records for the past fifteen years show that the Athletics put the league in the number of games won. Now they are trying to clinch the record in the number of games lost.

It is said the Pirates are willing to trade Max Carey if a club can be found that will take Maximilian and his four-ply contract, said contract being smeared with big figures calling for regular money.

Although it gets them nothing, Cleveland fans may find a little comfort in the old wheeze about "it's better to have been up there once than never to have been there at all."

Fred Luderus, the Phillies' first baseman, is said to hit the ball as hard as any man in the game. But the fielders won't allow Fred to hit 'em out for enough.

Captain Johnny Evers of the Braves would lead a fairly happy existence if it wasn't for baseball league presidents, baseball umpires and such.

## VICTORY REMAINS WITH THE ENTENTE

ITALIAN ARMED MERCHANTMAN  
FOUGHT GERMAN SUB-  
MARINE AND THEN  
GOT AWAY.

By Associated Press.

British troops yesterday made progress north of Pozieres and near High wood. Two German attacks against Delville wood were repulsed, London announces. The Paris statement says that two German detachments which attempted to reach the French lines west of Verdun were repulsed. The French checked two German attacks near Fleury in the Verdun sector. Petrograd announces the capture of 20,000 on the eastern front, including 400 officers. The Austro-Germans were driven back on the whole front from Kovel to Brody.

A Dougy Defender.

Rome, July 29.—The Re d'Italia, a 6000-ton vessel of Italian registry, attacked by a Teutonic submarine at 9 o'clock on the morning of July 23 while the steamer was on a voyage to New York, used her defense guns to good advantage and drove the submarine away. She then proceeded on her voyage.

Another Zeppelin Raid.

London, July 29.—Three Zeppelin dirigibles participated in a raid this morning on the east coast of England, it was officially announced this afternoon. There were no casualties.

Captured British Steamship.

Berlin, July 29.—A German auxiliary cruiser on July 27, after an engagement with the armed British ship Eskimo, captured the vessel and brought her to port, according to the German admiralty statement. The encounter took place fifteen miles southeast of Arendal, a Norwegian port.

Turkish Atrocities Increase.

Washington, July 29.—Information that Turkish atrocities in Armenia are worse than ever led the state department to consider making new representations to the Turkish government. No reply has been received to those made a month ago.

NORTHWESTERN TENNIS  
TOURNAMENT.

St. Paul, Minn., July 29.—A splendid array of tennis talent appeared on the turf courts at Deephaven, Lake Minnetonka, today for the preliminary play in the twenty-seventh annual tournament to decide the championships of the Northwestern Lawn Tennis association. Play will continue through the coming week. The titles in men's and women's singles and doubles and mixed doubles will be determined. The winning team in the men's doubles will have the privilege of competing in the preliminary national doubles championship at Chicago next month.

NASHVILLE BISHOP 75 YEARS  
OLD.

Nashville, Tenn., July 29.—Rt. Rev. Thomas Sebastian Byrne, bishop of the Catholic diocese of Nashville, was the recipient of many congratulations today on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday anniversary. The venerable Bishop is known as one of the most learned prelates of the church in America and is the author of many books and pamphlets on religious subjects. He was born at Hamilton, O., and received his early education at the famous seminary at Bardonia, Ky., completing his theological studies at the North American College in Rome. Previous to becoming bishop of Nashville in 1894 he had served for many years as rector of St. Mary's Seminary of the West.

TO BREAK THE NEWS TO  
HUGHES.

New York, July 29.—The big event of the coming week in political circles will be the Republican notification meeting in this city Monday. Those in charge of the arrangements are leaving no stone unturned that will insure a large and enthusiastic demonstration. Carnegie Hall has been selected as the place where the faithful from far and near will gather to hear Mr. Hughes formally notified that he is the presidential nominee on the Republican ticket. It will be the first general gathering of the clans, and the managers hope to make it a get-together affair which will bring all factions solidly behind the Hughes ticket. The Progressives will be given an important role. The chief features of the program will be the notification address by Senator Warren G. Harding of Ohio and the address of acceptance by Mr. Hughes. At the conclusion of the ceremonies the party leaders and invited guests will adjourn to the Hotel Astor, where Mr. Hughes will hold a public reception.

## EXPLODED BOMBS UNDER THE MENACE

ANTI-CATHOLIC PAPER IN MIS-  
SOURI WAS TARGET FOR  
EXPLOSIVES THIS  
MORNING.

By Associated Press.

Springfield, Mo., July 29.—Three bombs were exploded beneath the floor of the Menace Publishing Company's plant at Aurora, Mo., early this morning, which slightly damaged the plant and set fire to a mass of copies of the Menace, an anti-Catholic publication, just off the press. The damage is estimated at \$1,000.

HIS CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT.

By Associated Press.

Belton, Texas, July 29.—Gov. Ferguson spent \$3,400.42 in his campaign for re-nomination, according to his expense account filed today.

HEAT WILL CONTINUE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 29.—Continuation of the excessive heat now spreading over the central part of the country until tomorrow and an extension to the North Atlantic states was forecast today by the weather. The temperature ranged from 96 to 102 degrees today in the plains states.

INFANTILE EPIDEMIC WORSE.

By Associated Press.

New York, July 29.—A new record in the infantile paralysis epidemic was set today with 44 deaths during the last 24 hours.

Canada Has Quarantine.

Ottawa, Canada, July 29.—The Canadian government today placed a quarantine on children under 16 years of age coming from New York City and vicinity, as a bar against the introduction of infantile paralysis into the Dominion.

AMBASSADOR PAGE COMING  
HOME.

London, July 29.—Walter Hines Page, the American ambassador to the Court of St. James, sails for the United States today on a month's leave of absence. While the primary purpose of his trip is to obtain a much-needed vacation, the first he has had in three years, it is understood also that he will confer with the State Department at Washington on the recent "blacklist" and other questions that have arisen between the United States and England as a result of the war. The Ambassador is accompanied on his trip by Mrs. Page.

BIBLE CONFERENCE AT LAKE  
ORION.

Lake Orion, Mich., July 29.—With Bible teachers and students from all parts of the country in attendance, the Lake Orion International Bible Conference and Christian Workers' Institute was opened today and will be continued until Aug. 6. The present meeting marks the resumption of the conference after a suspension of several years. Many well known religious leaders from various parts of the United States, with several from South America, Australia and other foreign lands, are on the program.

GOLFERS GATHER AT MIN-  
NEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Minn., July 29.—Leading golfers of the West, representing clubs from every part of the territory lying between the Mississippi River and Salt Lake City, are opening today preparatory to the opening of the annual championship tournament of the Trans-Mississippi Golf association, which will get under way on the links of the Interlachen Club Monday morning. The large and high class entry list gives promise of one of the best successful tournaments ever conducted by the association. Alden Swift of St. Joseph, Mo., winner of last year's tournament, will be on hand to defend his title.

IT DIDN'T WORK.

Judge—Prisoner at the bar, have you anything to say for yourself?  
Prisoner—Yes, your honor, I admit I'm a vagabond and a thief, but you ought to be very thankful I'm here and let me off lightly.  
Judge—How do you make that out?  
Prisoner—Well, suppose we went on a strike and all turned honest, what would your honor do for a living?  
Judge (severely)—Um—five years imprisonment.

## STATEMENT OF THE LAREDO NATIONAL BANK

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At the Close of Business, June 30, 1916, as rendered to the Comptroller of the Currency  
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RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts.....\$ 733,513.43	Capital Stock.....\$ 200,000.00
Bank Building, Furniture and Fixtures.....46,484.86	Surplus Fund.....50,000.00
United States Bonds.....165,000.00	Undivided Profits, net.....96,213.33
Other Bonds and Securities.....2,072.00	Circulation.....150,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....7,500.00	Deposits.....840,484.43
Cash and Exchange.....382,127.47	
Total.....\$1,336,697.76	Total.....\$1,336,697.76

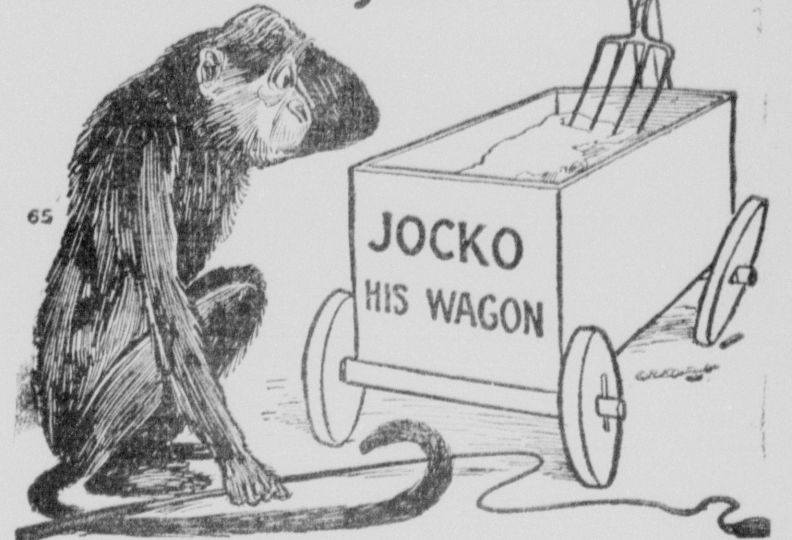
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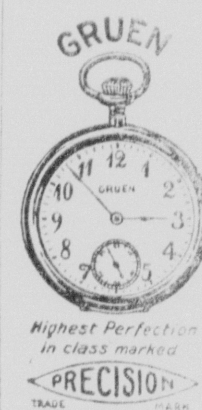
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Tomorrow: Triangle Plays—Wm. H. Thompson and Charles Ray in "THE DIVIDEND," five parts, and "HER PAINTED HERO," Triangle Keystone comedy in two parts.

Monday: "THE CITY OF ILLUSION," five parts, and Missouri National Guard pictures taken at Nevada, Mo.

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From Friday's Daily.

ANTI-PREPAREDNESS.

There are two classes of anti-preparedness advocates in the United States. Those (thin) souls who believe that their very defenselessness will prevent an enemy from attacking them, and—the German agents whose interests are involved in keeping our country from any action looking to preparedness.

One of these latter—who insults the name of American by claiming to be an American citizen, pays in a recent article in The Fatherland—the official organ of the German emperor in the United States—the following tribute to the nation he was so anxious to adopt: "There are one hundred millions of us in these United States—millions mostly loafers."

This gentle advocate of kissing the feet of the conqueror probably left Germany to get away from militarism. It is not too much to say that he probably had cold feet. His advocacy of shameful surrender rather than preparation for defense would indicate it.

But he goes too far when he charges that the only reason why the National Guard is now on the border is because Wall street ordered it so that stocks and bonds might bring in a greater profit, and that the powder trust might reap a benefit from it.

He says: "In the heat of summer the militiamen are on the way to the tropical deserts of Chihuahua. Many of them will never return." The militiamen are no doubt grateful for his sympathy, but so far we have seen no Guardsmen who are anxious to give up the trip to the "tropical deserts of Chihuahua." Some of them, convinced in their own minds that there is little prospect that they will be sent to Mexico, are asking for their discharges. But not because of the "tropical heat" or the danger.

The Wall street charge serves many ends. When the great cry of protest went up from a civilized world at the foul assassination of the women and children aboard the Lusitania, the Fatherland made the statement that it was Wall street that was responsible for the denunciation of the German murderers.

When the would-be assassin of Morgan killed himself in jail rather than face a trial for his crime, again it was Wall street who caused the death of this "martyr" to a "holy cause."

When the people of the United States became aroused to their defenseless condition and demanded preparation that they might not be a greater and a more devastated Belgium, the cry of "Wall street is back of the defense program" was raised.

Now it seems that the National Guardsmen were sent to the border by the rulers of Wall street. If that is really so, the people on the border owe an everlasting debt to Wall street. For without the presence of the Guardsmen, there is no telling where the next blow of the Mexican bandits might have been struck. And it is significant that at no place where the garrison was of sufficient strength to meet an attack has there been a further incursion of the Mexicans.

The German-hyphen-American stops all over himself in his pity for the starving families of the Guardsmen. But this sympathy is wasted, for the government has granted permission to every Guardsman who can prove that he has a dependent family to ask for—and receive—his discharge.

According to this brilliant and truthful (?) write, many of the Guardsmen, frightened at the treatment that others received for refusing to take the federal oath of service, basely "deserted their dependents and wives and children and were sent to the Mexican border."

Listen to that, you Guardsmen! How many of you were "frightened" at the idea that you would be disgracefully dismissed the service and come along to the border rather than be disciplined?

This argument is so plainly "made in Germany" that no one can be expected to take it seriously. Like some of the other goods of the same make, its glue is so poor that it won't stick together, and the paint on it is apt to wash off in the first rain.

OUR NEW PURCHASE.

It is getting costly for anything but a first-class power to keep up foreign colonies, and perhaps that is one of the reasons why Denmark was brought to lend a willing ear to our proposal to buy the Caribbean islands of St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John. And the price probably had something to do with the sale, for Denmark is not in any too good financial condition at present, and twenty-five millions is undoubtedly far more than any other country would have been willing to pay for the islands, even had our government been willing to permit the purchase.

Lying to the east of Porto Rico and closer to the Panama Canal than any of our great Eastern ports, the islands will form a naval base of great value to this country. Great Britain has a great naval base at Jamaica, and this new base of ours will neutralize the Kingston base.

Several times has our government tried to purchase the Danish islands, but always unsuccessfully. It was charged that our latest failure to get the islands was due to the influence of Germany, whose representations caused the Danish government to withdraw from the agreement before the treaty was signed.

The Monroe doctrine stands in the way of their purchase by any European power, and that is probably the reason why Germany interfered with our deal some years ago. If she could not have them, she was determined that we should not get them.

Residents of the islands will hail with joy the purchase by the United States. Since the beginning of the European war the islands have become almost bankrupt. The blockade has prevented the usual marine commerce which formed the backbone of the island trade, and Danish capitalists, as well as the Danish govern-

ment, have refused to come to the aid of the islanders, and the laboring classes are constantly demanding higher wages for their work, which the employers are unable to pay because of existing conditions.

The establishment of a great naval base on St. Thomas Bay, which is said to be one of the finest natural harbors in the world, will be a blessing to the working people of the islands. The plantations have suffered for lack of shipping to convey their products abroad, and, and there has been no public work of any sort since the European war began.

The islands lie in the track of the terrible West Indies hurricanes, which cause such havoc as far north as our Atlantic coast. Yet there has never been any great devastation due to the storms on the Danish islands, with the exception of the destruction of standing crops and comparatively few houses, mainly of the poorer class.

Charlotte Amalie, the principal commercial town, has a population of but few thousands, but the business done there in normal times is enormous when compared to the population.

There is little commercial gain to be expected from the new purchase. The islands are small, having an area of but 138 square miles, and the population is estimated at 30,000. There is no county in Texas of so small an area, and few who have not greater population.

But as a naval base protecting the Panama Canal the acquisition of the islands will add greatly to our naval strength, and although the price seems a high one, it is no doubt justified by the importance of the possession.

In the same latitude as Santo Domingo, the climate is apt to be enervating to the white race, although our people have successfully lived in the Philippine group in even lower latitudes.

With the beginning of the work on the naval base, the islands will become attractive to American tourists seeking new scenes, and the great archipelago extending from the Florida coast in a great arc to Venezuela will no doubt witness the arrival of many new faces led into traveling through the blue Caribbean by the presence of still another far-flung outpost of the United States.

The negro who confessed to the killing of a trained nurse in a suburb of Dallas may be telling the truth. If this murder is cleared up, it will be the first for a long time, and Dallas stands a chance of having a real murderer hung to offset the many who go free.

Senator Reed of Missouri had a real inspiration when he proposed that the National Guardsmen should be permitted to vote at camps in the coming presidential election. It shows that he is a student of history and remembers that the federal soldiers voted in camps during the sixties. But alas! the amendment was stricken out.

If those El Paso county votes are solid against submission the question may not be so clearly settled on the side of the prohibitionists as has been thought. El Paso has over 3,000 votes, and without that county submission now has a majority of 2,346. Time will tell.

It now seems probable that Sir Roger Casement will not be "butchered to make a Cockney holiday." The execution will be private, and the public will not have a chance to see his spurs hacked off by a butcher's cleaver and the rest of the quaint ceremonies of a past age.

How many of you were "frightened" at the idea that you would be disgracefully dismissed the service and come along to the border rather than be disciplined?

This argument is so plainly "made in Germany" that no one can be expected to take it seriously. Like some of the other goods of the same make, its glue is so poor that it won't stick together, and the paint on it is apt to wash off in the first rain.

OUR NEW PURCHASE.

It is getting costly for anything but a first-class power to keep up foreign colonies, and perhaps that is one of the reasons why Denmark was brought to lend a willing ear to our proposal to buy the Caribbean islands of St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John. And the price probably had something to do with the sale, for Denmark is not in any too good financial condition at present, and twenty-five millions is undoubtedly far more than any other country would have been willing to pay for the islands, even had our government been willing to permit the purchase.

Lying to the east of Porto Rico and closer to the Panama Canal than any of our great Eastern ports, the islands will form a naval base of great value to this country. Great Britain has a great naval base at Jamaica, and this new base of ours will neutralize the Kingston base.

Several times has our government tried to purchase the Danish islands, but always unsuccessfully. It was charged that our latest failure to get the islands was due to the influence of Germany, whose representations caused the Danish government to withdraw from the agreement before the treaty was signed.

The Monroe doctrine stands in the way of their purchase by any European power, and that is probably the reason why Germany interfered with our deal some years ago. If she could not have them, she was determined that we should not get them.

Residents of the islands will hail with joy the purchase by the United States. Since the beginning of the European war the islands have become almost bankrupt. The blockade has prevented the usual marine commerce which formed the backbone of the island trade, and Danish capitalists, as well as the Danish govern-

ment, have refused to come to the aid of the islanders, and the laboring classes are constantly demanding higher wages for their work, which the employers are unable to pay because of existing conditions.

The establishment of a great naval base on St. Thomas Bay, which is said to be one of the finest natural harbors in the world, will be a blessing to the working people of the islands. The plantations have suffered for lack of shipping to convey their products abroad, and, and there has been no public work of any sort since the European war began.

The islands lie in the track of the terrible West Indies hurricanes, which cause such havoc as far north as our Atlantic coast. Yet there has never been any great devastation due to the storms on the Danish islands, with the exception of the destruction of standing crops and comparatively few houses, mainly of the poorer class.

Charlotte Amalie, the principal commercial town, has a population of but few thousands, but the business done there in normal times is enormous when compared to the population.

There is little commercial gain to be expected from the new purchase. The islands are small, having an area of but 138 square miles, and the population is estimated at 30,000. There is no county in Texas of so small an area, and few who have not greater population.

But as a naval base protecting the Panama Canal the acquisition of the islands will add greatly to our naval strength, and although the price seems a high one, it is no doubt justified by the importance of the possession.

CONDITIONS ARE DEPLORABLE AND GRADUALLY GET WORSE

LACK OF CONFIDENCE IS APPARENT EVERYWHERE IN MEXICO

Some Industrial Plants Resume on Small Scale, But Owners Apparently Fear De Facto Government.

Parties arriving here from Central and Southern Mexico bring conflicting reports as to conditions generally in those sections, some asserting that numerous industrial plants, believing that the threatened break between Mexico and the United States is past history, are operating on a small scale, while others say the commercial life of the whole republic is so demoralized that it can not get worse and it will take many years for Mexico to recuperate from the effects of the internal disorders that have disrupted the physical and moral life of the country and put its industrial and commercial life at its lowest ebb.

Discontent is apparent on every hand in the larger commercial centers of Mexico, the business men of the places appear skeptical of the de facto government being able to provide the protection assured, and in fact in most places the military are unable to control the rowdiness and general lawlessness that exists among the poor classes, who have never actually been controlled by any ruler since the days of Porfirio Diaz, the grand old man who ruled Mexico with an iron hand and by his inexorable treatment of the element that were undeserving of sympathy he held them within the confines of law and order, though conspiring has always been a notable feature of the poor class and they work out their treachery behind closed doors or in the dark.

Some of the recent arrivals from Mexico contend that Villa has as great a following as Carranza in Mexico; that in fact the supposed-to-be Carrancistas are in reality supporters of General Obregon and other military leaders and not of Carranza, and that these leaders alone are responsible for the soldiery appearing seemingly loyal to the head of the de facto government. On many occasions Carranza is said to have sent orders to some of the military officers and got the report, "We are taking our orders from Obregon" or words similarly applied, which proves, says the party relating the story, that Carranza is only a secondary consideration in Mexico and is in reality not the man who guides the destinies of Mexico.

"The mines, smelters and other industrial plants of Mexico are not using the Carranza currency to any extent," said an American who recently came from Central Mexico, "for they know not how long this stuff will be worth the paper it is printed on. Many issues of currency have been printed in Mexico and soon as it became well circulated, was repudiated by the government or declared counterfeit. All employees of industrial plants, and in fact those who work anywhere in the republic, express a preference to be paid in Mexican gold or silver, though the latter is a very scarce article—in fact Mexican silver is almost extinct now."

From the different interviews had with recent arrivals from Mexico it could appear that conditions, deplorable as they are already, are gradually becoming worse in old Mexico, and the people are in a state where confidence is a lacking quality in every line of endeavor and a game of waiting is on.

COUNTY CONVENTION SATURDAY

County Democratic Executive Committee Will Be Chosen and Delegates Selected to All Conventions.

Tomorrow evening, beginning at 8:30 o'clock in the district court room at the county courthouse, will be held a county convention of the Democrats of Webb county, those qualified to sit as delegates being the precinct delegates elected at the primaries last Saturday held in the various precincts of the county.

At the county convention tomorrow evening a county executive committee, headed by J. R. Moore, who was elected county chairman last Saturday, will be selected. Delegates will also be chosen at the county convention to represent Webb county at the various conventions to be held later, including the state convention at Houston, the congressional representative, district and other conventions which will be held within the next few weeks.

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LITTLE LOCALS

Laredo is to have another motion picture show—an aidom, and work of construction is already under way. The new show will be located at the corner of Convent Avenue and Farragut street and is being erected by M. Little, owner of the lot. Who will operate the picture show has not been learned.

One of the largest crowds of militiamen who were ever assembled at one time on Jarvis Plaza were in evidence there last night at about 8 o'clock. It is estimated there were between 1,000 and 1,500 men "stretched out" or lying on the lawn there, while many more filled the settees or walked about the inner and outer walks. The other plazas also had good-sized crowds of militiamen.

The letter written by District Attorney Valls to Governor Ferguson in reply to the "beans spilled" by Ambassador Arredondo, and which was published in yesterday's Times attracted considerable attention and Laredo's able district attorney, who is a learned man and very conservative in his manner, was the recipient of much praise and commendation for his Americanism and outspoken loyalty shown.

The "bull fight" produced by the two finely trained dogs carried by "Les Berleynes," who are giving vaudeville shows at the Royal Theatre, was loudly applauded by the thousand or more militiamen present last night. The "bull fight" was a novelty to the men, and the fact that the stunt was pulled off by two dogs representing miniature bulls, brought forth approval by applauding.

Son of the New Hampshire boys thought that they surely "had 'em" yesterday afternoon. They were wandering along when a Mexican with an armadillo tied to a chain halted nearby and began to converse with a comrade. The soldiers strutted along and almost stumbled over the armadillo. Observing the animal closely, one said: "He; by golly there's a raccoon with a shell on."

There is a persistent rumor in circulation to the effect that within the next few days several thousand more soldiers (including colored troops) will be sent to Laredo to augment those already here. One rumor even says that some Indians are also destined for station at Laredo.

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COMPARATIVELY FEW KICKERS.

Nearly All the Men in Militia Camps Here Are Perfectly Satisfied With Campsite and Surroundings.

While there are a few men among the militiamen here who are desirous of getting out of the army service, and therefore naturally get up on the wrong side of the bed in the morning with a full-fledged "grouch," there are many others who are satisfied with their lot and arise in the morning with veritable "faint smiles" illuminating their features.

Some of the soldier boys have taken a delight in getting kodak views of Laredo and their camp and surroundings and have written interesting descriptions of all these to the folks back home, and then there are a few others who have written to their folks and vented all their literary abilities in giving unfavorable reports—these are the ones with the "grouch," but are small in number. But when one considers the fact that there are about nine thousand militiamen here it is naturally expected there are a few chronic kickers among the crowd.

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NOT FLATTERED.

An old Scotch woman, who had resisted all the entreaties of her friends to have her photograph taken, and who was at last induced to consent, in order that she might send her likeness to her son in America, is the heroine of the following anecdote:

On receiving the first proof she failed to recognize the figure thereon represented as herself; so, card in hand, she set out for the artist's studio.

"Is that me?" she queried.

"Yes, madam," replied the artist.

"And is it like me?" she again asked.

"Yes, madam, it's a speaking likeness."

"A weel," she said resignedly, "it's a humblin' sicht."—TR-BH.

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BRITISH DEMANDING SAFETY OF SUPPLIES

WILLING TO PERMIT IMPORTATION OF FOOD PROVIDED THE ARMIES DO NOT SEIZE IT.

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 28.—Informal assurances that Austria-Hungary is disposed to respond favorably to President Wilson's appeal for permission for shipment of American relief supplies to territory held by the Austrian forces in Poland were given personally by Foreign Minister Burian to Ambassador Penfield. Ambassador Page received from the British foreign office a statement that Great Britain is willing to allow the importation of foodstuffs when administered by an American commission appointed by President Wilson and when assurances are given that the Austrian armies will not confiscate them. This condition, it is feared, may block negotiations.

The British proposal will be referred at once to Germany and Austria-Hungary to learn whether the conditions implied will be acceptable to them.

TO GET NEW EQUIPMENT.

Guardmen on Border to Be Equipped as Well as Regular Forces.

By Associated Press.

San Antonio, July 28.—By August first, all state troops in the southern department, now doing duty on the Mexican border, will be fully equipped with new paraphernalia and accoutrements if the present rate of inspecting the federalized national guard is continued.

General Funston intends to replace, it was announced from Fort Sam Houston, all inferior equipment of the state troops with new supplies from the general stores, so that the guardsmen "may go anywhere with the regulars." The quartermasters department and ordnance department, as well have been busy during the last week issuing equipment.

Trainloads of equipment, consisting of uniforms, guns, and tents have been moving out of San Antonio for the past three weeks. Fast inspection of the state troops at Fort Sam Houston has also been done under the supervision of Lieutenant Colonel George O. Cress, inspector general of the southern department.

After passing inspection each company is reported to the war department as ready to take the field.

TO TRY SANDY HOOK SWIM.

New York, July 28.—Robert Dowling, the 19-year-old local long distance swimmer, who last Summer covered the thirty-four miles around Manhattan Island in 13 hours 45 minutes, tomorrow will attempt to swim from the Battery to Sandy Hook and back.

The one-way trip has only been accomplished so far by five men, and the record stands to the credit of George Meehan of Boston, at 7 hours 18 minutes.

No swimmer has ever accomplished the task of covering the distance both ways. The feat is especially difficult because of tidal conditions, which makes it a test of speed, as well as of endurance. Success hinges upon the ability of the swimmer to complete the downward leg on the ebbing current, the upward on the flooding, for it is beyond human power to beat the tide once it has set in the direction opposite to the swimmer's course. This means holding a fast pace continuously for about fourteen hours.

FOREST NOTES.

Coniferous timber has been found to be better suited than any other for the production of ethyl alcohol.

There are 592 consumers of tannin in the United States who use annually 625,000 cords of hemlock bark, 290,000 cords of oak bark, and 350,000 cords of chestnut wood.

Experts of the Forest Service estimate that the farm woodlots of the United States contain from 200 to 300 billion board feet of lumber and from one to one-and-a-half billion cords of wood.

On some of the National Forests of the Northwest the snow lay on the ground longer this spring than for many years. In consequence stockmen have been considerably delayed in getting their herds on the ranges.

All of the 28 counties of Utah contain portions of National Forests and consequently all share in the 25 per cent of the National Forest receipts which is paid over to the road and school funds. This is true of no other State.

One hundred thirty thousand maps of the National Forests will be distributed to tourists this summer. These maps show the best camping sites, good hunting and fishing grounds, roads, trails, and telephone lines, and give directions how to reach points of interest.

Imports Light Yesterday.

Imports from Mexico through the port of Laredo yesterday were comparatively light to what they have been the past few days. The imports yesterday consisted of twelve carloads of calamine, nine carloads of lye, three carloads of bones, two carloads of miscellaneous goods and one carload of cattle.

WINNER AND LOSER.

"Where's your little brother?"

"He hurt himself."

"How?"

"We were seeing who could lean out of the window the farthest and he won."

RUSSIANS DOING EFFECTIVE WORK

CLEANED GERMAN TRENCHES AND TOOK SOME PRISONERS IN THE CHAMPAGNE DISTRICT.

By Associated Press.

Russians reconnoitering at Auberville in Champagne, says the French official statement, penetrated the German trenches and cleared them with hand grenades. The Russians took some prisoners. A German attempt near Lihons, north of Chaulnes, was arrested by French infantry fire. On the right bank of the Meuse in the Verdun region German preparations to attack Thiaumont were stopped by artillery fire. British troops captured the entire village of Delville, London announced this afternoon. All the Germans defending the positions were driven out. Berlin claims that strong British attacks against German positions in Fourceaux wood in the Somme have broken down under German fire. A Havas Saloniki despatch says the Serbians have begun an offensive against the Bulgarians in Greece, occupying a series of heights and maintaining their positions despite Bulgarian counter attacks. The Russians continue to advance successfully in southern Volhynia. Petrograd announces, saying also that the Russian Caucasian army is advancing.

Attacks by two Russian army corps on German positions near Baranovich were delivered yesterday, but failed to gain ground. The battle is still in progress, Berlin announced this afternoon. The Russians resumed their attacks in southern Volhynia and pierced General von Linsingen's lines north of Svinichy but are being vigorously counter attacked by Germans.

Defense Would Not Act.

London, July 28.—When the court of criminal appeals met today to hear a "possible application" on behalf of Sir Roger Casement, sentenced to death for high treason, it was found that the defense did not contemplate any action.

Sank British Boats.

Berlin, July 28.—In a naval battle between German submarines and four British patrol boats off the coast of Scotland, two British vessels were sunk, according to the Overseas News Agency.

Honored Belgian Girl.

Paris, July 28.—At a special ceremony today in the British embassy, Emilienne Moreau, an 18-year-old girl known as "the heroine of Loos," was presented with a British medal for bravery and the order of St. John of Jerusalem. She tended the wounded under fire for 24 hours.

CORROBORATED STATEMENT.

Norfolk, Va., July 28.—Corroboration of the statement of officers of the battleship Louisiana that they saw a cruiser within the Virginia capes last Tuesday came today from Commander Shreve of the United States collier Neptune. He said he could not identify the cruiser, but saw her leaving the capes about three o'clock.

IRISH M. P. ACCUSED.

London, July 28.—Accused of attempting to bribe his way to obtain admission to the detention barracks at Knutsford, where Irish prisoners alleged to have been concerned in the recent rebellion are being held, Laurence Ginnell, Irish member of parliament, was arraigned in the Bow Street police court today for his sympathies with the Irish cause. When the excitement over the recent rebellion was at its height he addressed many questions in the House of Commons to ministers, and invariably alleged that his countrymen who had been arrested were mistreated.

LONG-DISTANCE POWER BOAT RACE.

New York, July 28.—All arrangements have



## LITTLE LOCALS

—Many of the soldier boys here who have kodaks keep them busy snapping views of Laredo. In the Mexican quarter of the city they get views of the quaint adobe dwellings, they get pictures of patios about homes, of the barred windows, etc., all something novel and bizarre to them and not to be seen in their far-away home town. And when they go home they will explain the pictures to the folks back home.

—Three soldiers astride three burros were standing on the edge of the banks of the Rio Grande yesterday and along came a "kodaker" and snapped their likenesses. Sitting in attitudes simulating Napoleon marching to Moscow, the pictures will tell that the militiamen were "on Mexican aeroplanes about to make a flight to Mexico."

—The dates on the big palm in Jarvis Plaza are maturing fast now and the beautiful golden fruit is one of the greatest attractions Laredo now has for visitors from faraway. Mayor McComb is proud of the tree and says when the fruit is fully matured he will pull it and distribute Laredo dates among the militiamen so that they may send it home as a souvenir of Laredo.

—Socially speaking, the soldier boys have daily "lawn parties" in Jarvis Plaza, and while the militiamen lounge on the grass and enjoy themselves resting from the day's work, they don't have refreshments there, but repair to nearby "refreshment parlors" late in the afternoon "just as the sun goes down."

—About half the summer season has waned now and many persons so far have not had an opportunity to take their summer vacations, but low round-trip rates are in effect until the last day of September, so there is plenty of time yet for many to take a recreation trip to the mountains or seashore.

—The importations through this port yesterday afternoon from Mexico consisted of five carloads of kille, one carload of bones and one carload of miscellaneous articles.

—In the district court yesterday afternoon the civil case of Murray Raymond vs. Mary Irene Raymond, suit for divorce, was heard and divorce was granted the plaintiff.

—The Palafox land suit case is now on in district court and the array of legal talent that is involved in the trial keeps the attorneys busy. H. G. Dickinson, attorney for Thomas O'Connor at the trial, is pitted against the legal fraternities of Laredo, Corpus Christi, San Antonio and several other places, and Judge Ed. H. Weeks patiently sits on the "bench" and listens to the proceedings.

—It is reported that, weather permitting, the Second Maine Regimental Band (or rather the University of Maine Band) will give a concert on Jarvis Plaza Saturday evening.

—A marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report to Domingo Vicente Diaz and Miss Concepcion Peña.

## JESUS BENAVIDES IS DEAD

The Man Who Conducted the "Monte Carlo" of Nuevo Laredo Has Made His Last Deal and "Cashed In."

Jesus Benavides, better known to many Laredo "knights of the green cloth" as the head of the "Monte Carlo" of Nuevo Laredo, is no more—he has made his last shuffle, the last deal has been dealt and now, in the eternal jackpot, Jesus is "sizing up the pile." Jesus Benavides, the old man who conducted the "roulette wheel, the monte game, the crap game, etc., where men spent their week's earnings in one night and repented afterwards, has "passed in his checks."

The old man, well known to all who enjoyed the diversions offered in his resort in Nuevo Laredo, passed away at his home, 502 Matamoros St. early this morning following an attack of paralysis. For many years Jesus Benavides conducted a veritable "Monte Carlo" in Nuevo Laredo, continuing this business up to the time that the Carrancistas took possession of the burg over the way. Don Jesus owned the building now occupied as the municipal building in Nuevo Laredo, but, as he was a sympathizer of Huerta, he hiked from the town when the Carrancistas took charge and never worried about demanding rent for his building.

## NO PRIMARIES IN ZAPATA.

That County Again Switched This Year and Will Go Solidly Republican; Last Year It Was Democrat.

Keeping pace with Duval county, which held primaries last Saturday and cast a solid vote for certain Democratic candidates, while their opponents, (with the exception of Culberson, who broke the unanimity with one vote), received no consideration, Zapata county is this year aligned with the Republicans and did not hold Democratic primaries last Saturday.

A note received from County Judge A. P. Spohn this morning had the laconic statement: "Nothing doing; no primaries." This practically means that old Zapata has again changed its coat, and this year it will no doubt cast a solid Republican vote—last year it cast a solid Democratic vote. The Republican elephant and the Democratic burro exchange courtesies down there, it seems, and one rules one year and the other the next year.

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## SOCIETY

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## SOCIAL CALENDAR.

**Thursday.**  
The Thursday Sewing Club met with Mrs. Yesner at four o'clock in the afternoon.

**Friday.**  
Red Cross Sewing Circle A will meet with Mrs. A. C. Richter at nine o'clock in the morning.  
Red Cross Circles C and D will meet with Mrs. J. W. Mussett at nine o'clock in the morning.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the church at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Misses Belle and Lillian Westbrook will entertain the Girls Swimming Club at nine o'clock in the morning.  
The girls will give a return dance to the boys at ten o'clock in the evening at Elks Hall.

**Boy Scout Rally Song.**  
(Dedicated to the Boy Scouts of America, by Charles W. Hubner.)  
As close as ivy tendrils twine,  
Around the oak's proud form,  
And thus become a part of him,  
In sunshine and in storm.

So we, thy sons, America!  
Our country free and great!  
Enfold thee with our loving arms,  
To share with thee thy fate.

Grow with thy strength and flourish  
In  
The sunshine of thine eye;  
Or should the lightning shatter thee,  
Cling to the wreck and die.

Forever one in weal or woe,  
Of thine own life a part,  
America! give us thy love,  
As we give thee our heart.

**General Mention.**  
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Foster and two little sons returned home yesterday from Corpus Christi, where they spent the past six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Pender have returned from a business trip to San Antonio, where they spent a busy week.

Mrs. Young, wife of Lieutenant Young of the Engineering Corps of the Ninth Infantry will arrive today, and will stop at the home of Mrs. W. W. MacGregor.

Mrs. C. I. Nelson of Kansas City, Missouri, arrived yesterday to join her husband, who is stationed at the Missouri Camp, and is staying with Mrs. Pennell.

**Announcements.**  
Red Cross Sewing Circle A will meet with Mrs. A. C. Richter at nine o'clock Friday morning. Every member who has assisted in this circle is urged to attend as a little surprise is in store for them.

**Entertainment.**  
On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Trout entertained with a lawn-party and smoker, complimenting the second Maine Orchestra. Food watermelon was served during the evening, and a most delightful time was enjoyed by all.

**Red Cross Notes.**  
Red Cross Class in First Aid met yesterday morning at Elks Hall with Dr. J. T. Ward as instructor. The subject of the lesson was "bandages." Several kinds were taken up, spinal and figure eight being demonstrated. The work shown was exceedingly interesting and there was a very good attendance.

Mrs. Pennell reports a larger attendance of militiamen at the water depot last evening than at any previous time. This work of giving pure ice water to the soldiers is being kept up, and a number of ladies have joined in helping Mrs. Pennell serve the water to the men.

## POLITE CONVERSATION.

There were some visitors at the door, and, as mother was not just ready to make her appearance, Johnny was told to let them in and show them to the parlor.

This he did, and while they waited for mother to finish doing up her back hair, the small boy sat very still and embarrassed.

Presently, seeing the visitors taking stealthy glances around the cosy little room, he remarked politely:

"Well, what do you think of our furniture?"

**Why Endure Summer Colds?**  
It isn't necessary to have a stuffy head, running nose. To cough your head off as it were. All you need do is to use Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. The soothing and healing balsams open the clogged air passages and in a short time you get relief and start on the road to recovery. Your nose stops running, you cough less and you know you are getting better. Get a bottle, use as directed. Keep what is left as a cough and cold insurance.

Mr. Went-And-Cut-It  
—Here's Mr. 'Gets-It'

The New Plan Corn Cure That's as Sure as the Rising Sun.

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"Why, O Why, Did I Do It? 'Gets-It' for Me After This—If I Live!"

be cut, picked, gouged, salved, plastered and jerked out—they grow faster. Mr. and Mrs. Went-And-Cut-It realize it now—they use "Gets-It" instead—it's the wonderful, simple corn-cure that never fails. Stops pain. You apply it in 2 seconds, it dries at once, the corn is doomed. Nothing to stick to the stocking or press on the corn. It means good-night to plasters, salves, diggers, razors and toe-bundling. You can wear smaller shoes. Your corns will come right off—clean as a whistle. Never inflames healthy flesh. The world's biggest selling corn cure. "Gets-It" is sold by druggists everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Sold in Laredo and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by Flavio Vargas.

## NEVADA REPUBLICANS CONFIDENT.

Reno, Nev., July 27.—The Nevada primaries, which are to be held one week from next Tuesday, will be the signal for the real opening of the bitterest political campaign in the history of the Sagebrush State. For months the Republicans have been mustering their forces, otherwise preparing for the great drive that is to have as its chief object the ousting of Key Pittman from the United States senate and the seating of a Republican in his place. Back of the fight is one of the strangest and most fascinating political stories ever conceived.

When Senator George S. Nixon, Republican, partner of George Wingfield, millionaire mine owner and banker of Nevada, died in 1912, the then Governor of Nevada, Tasker L. Oddie, offered the toga to Wingfield, who, for some reason known only to himself, refused it. W. A. Massey, of Reno, a former supreme justice of the State, was appointed to fill the vacancy, which, under the law, would be filled at the presidential election in 1912.

Massey became the Republican candidate to succeed himself and Key Pittman, who had been defeated by Senator Nixon in the campaign of 1910, became the Democratic candidate.

There waged a bitter political campaign. Pittman is said to have spent a vast sum of money which he had but a few months before acquired in the phenomenal rise in Tonopah-Merger stock, of which he held something like 350,000 shares. He purchased a daily newspaper in Tonopah, his home city, acquired another in Ely, and is said to have given financial assistance to others in various parts of the State.

Pittman's publicity was one of the marvels of the campaign. Senator Massey, with limited means, made a personal canvass throughout the State. Behind him were the Wingfield interests, powerful and wealthy, and it was hinted that before the campaign was concluded the money bags would be opened.

Then a strange thing is said to have occurred. Suddenly there appeared in Reno and other parts of Nevada a swarm of Burns' detectives. It was publicly given out that these detectives had been shadowing the Massey politicians and at the first sign of money being spread by any of the interests behind Massey's campaign arrests would follow.

According to general rumor at the time it was Pittman's money that paid for the detectives. When the votes were counted a few days later Pittman was elected by 89 votes, a narrow majority, but sufficient to put him in the United States senate.

Two years ago when Senator Newland's term of office expired he was opposed by Sam Pratt, of Carson, Republican, former United States district attorney and owner of a Carson newspaper. There ensued another hard-fought campaign and when the smoke of battle rolled away Senator Newlands had been returned to office by a bare majority of 40 votes, one-half Pittman's majority of 89.

The narrow majorities of Pittman and Newlands form but one of the factors upon which are based the Republican hope for success this year. Under the amendment to the constitution adopted in 1914, women have been given the rights of the ballot in Nevada. It is estimated that some 14,000 of them will exercise the privilege next November and the Republicans are claiming the most of their votes. The Democrats refused to recognize this new voting element in naming their delegates to St. Louis, but the Republicans named as one of the alternates Mrs. T. F. Moran, wife of a candidate for the State supreme court.

Some of the most influential interests in Nevada are expected to line up against the Democrats in the coming election. The sheep interests, which are very large, are opposed as usual to the Democratic tariff policy. The same is believed to be true as regards the sugar-beet interests. There is a considerable area in Nevada devoted to the sugar-beet, with a large sugar factory on the United States

## PERSONALS

O. Pratt of Encinal is a visitor in the city.

S. A. James of Encinal arrived in the city yesterday.

Chas. F. Eckert of Corpus Christi arrived in the city yesterday.

H. C. Franks, prominent railroad man of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday.

E. Denike left yesterday for Corpus Christi for a visit to his family, who are summering there.

B. W. Teagarden, Esq., of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday to attend the district court.

Wm. Aubrey, Esq., of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and is in attendance upon the district court.

BENDER.—F. M. Huggins, Meridian; Y. Garza Sada, Monterey; Wm. Tavis, San Antonio; Geo. S. Haley, New York; E. Robinson, San Antonio; J. S. Daugherty, Houston; D. J. Moran, Wm. Aubrey, J. E. O'Neil, San Antonio; Arnold Frack, Chicago, Ill.; A. D. Spelman, St. Louis, Mo.; E. B. Stewart, Fort Worth; C. Jewell, Robt. Y. Adam, San Antonio; Charles F. Eckert, Corpus Christi; W. C. Wilcox, El Paso; W. G. Love, W. R. Snyder, San Antonio; F. M. Batl, St. Louis, Mo.; J. T. Bulkley, R. L. Guajardo, San Antonio; J. F. Bowell, Philadelphia; Fred A. Millander, Waco; James Otey, Houston; L. Cram, San Antonio.

## JIMMY UP TO DATE.

Jimmy, an office boy in a downtown office, approached his boss one morning last week:

"If you please, sir."

"Well, Jimmy?"

"My grandmother, sir."

"Aha, your grandmother; go on, Jimmy."

"My grandmother and my mother—"

"What? And your mother, too. Both very ill, eh?"

"No, sir. My grandmother and my mother are going to the baseball game this afternoon and they want me to stay home and mind my little kid brother."

Jimmy got the afternoon off.

## GOOD ROADS DAY IN TENNESSEE

Nashville, Tenn., July 27.—Every able-bodied citizen in Tennessee, or a large proportion of them at any rate, is expected to take his pick and shovel in hand today and help in improving the roads in his community, in keeping with the idea expressed in Governor Rye's proclamation fixing it as Good Roads Day. Tennessee is very proud of the progress already made in the improvement of its highways and it hopes that within a few years it will have the finest system of roads to be found south of the Ohio River. Thirty million dollars has been spent in the State for road improvements in the last fifteen years.

## A Two-Edged Sword.

It was decidedly frank of England to publish the list of American firms that are to be blacklisted because they have dared to trade with the Teutonic allies. As the boycott is always a two-edged sword, and England will not enhance her popularity in this country by such an open effort to restrain the rights of commerce with this country, as a neutral nation is entitled to exercise—Brownsville Herald.

## Biliousness and Stomach Trouble.

"Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach troubles and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbryske, Lima, Ohio. "I could eat very little food that agreed with me and I became so dizzy and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly." Obtainable everywhere.

## AMERICAN ENGINEER GOES TO ORIENT.

Seattle, Wash., July 27.—Judson R. West, who recently resigned his position as engineer of the port of Seattle, sails for China today to accept the post of professor of railroad engineering at the University of Poo Yang, at Tientsin. The university is the leading institution of learning in North China.

## Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

Every family without exception should keep this preparation at hand during the hot weather of the summer months. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is worth many times its cost when needed and is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over. It has no superior for the purposes for which it is intended. Buy it now. Obtainable everywhere.

reclamation project at Fallon. The industry was hard hit by the Underwood-Simmons tariff. The factory closed down and many of the farmers dug up their beets. The Republicans are counting on the influence of these interests to aid them materially in winning a victory at the polls next November.

PROTEST AGAINST  
BLACKLIST CABLED

SAYS BLACKLIST OF AMERICAN FIRMS IS INVASION OF NEUTRAL RIGHTS OF OUR NATION.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, July 27.—A note to Great Britain objecting to the blacklisting of American business firms as "an invasion of neutral rights" was cabled to London last night by the state department. The communication discusses the principles involved and will not interfere with informal discussions between representatives of the two nations on individual cases. The officials hold that the blacklist infires American houses, in violation of international law.

**Attacked Submarine Base.**  
Berlin, July 27.—A German naval airship on July 25 attacked the main base for Russian British submarines at Marienhaven, it was officially announced today. The airship dropped 700 kilograms of explosives and returned safely.

**Wanted Guardsmen to Vote.**  
Washington, July 27.—Senator Reed's amendment to the army appropriation bill to permit National Guardsmen to vote at camps in the coming presidential election was stricken out today on a point of order. An appeal was voted down.

**Denied Entrance of Ship.**  
Washington, July 27.—British Ambassador Cecil Spring-Rice informed Acting Secretary Polk today that he had received a message from the admiral commanding the British Atlantic fleet denying that a British warship entered Chesapeake Bay, as reported by the commander of the battleship Louisiana.

**War Summary.**  
Throughout the night British troops continued to press the Germans with hand-to-hand encounters at various points on the Somme front, says the British statement today. The German statement claims that the British attacks west of Pozieres were repulsed yesterday, as well as a French attack near Barleaux. Berlin announces the Austrian withdrawal before superior Russian forces north of Brody, Galicia, as well as a "sanguinary repulse" of Russians attacking Germans on the Schitchara river near Barnievich. Petrograd announces that 6,200 Teutons were taken prisoners in Tuesday's battle on the western front.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TENNIS.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 27.—Play in the annual lawn tennis tournament for the championships of Southern California began on the Hotel Virginia courts today with many well known experts participating. The titles in the men's and women's singles and doubles and mixed doubles will be decided; also the junior singles.

## MOTORCYCLE TITLE RACES

Providence, R. I., July 27.—A two-day racing program to determine the amateur motorcycle championship of the United States was inaugurated at Narragansett Port today as a feature of the annual convention of the Federation of American Motorcyclists now in session here. The winner, second and third place men in each of the races will be credited with a certain number of points, and at the end of the series the rider who has gained the greatest number will be awarded the Bosch Trophy, emblematic of the national amateur championship.

## KANSAS CITY TO WELCOME G. A. R.

Kansas City, Mo., July 27.—Arrangements are rapidly being completed for the annual national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, which, with numerous affiliated bodies, will be entertained here next month.

The big city on the Kaw has been waiting all summer for the encampment week-draws near the citizens are preparing for the event with keen interest. They are arranging to decorate the city as it has never before been bedecked. They are preparing to provide every comfort for the old soldiers; comfort stations will be provided in the business section; hospitals and emergency nurses will be on hand to attend to those who will be by the wayside, or who are injured or become ill during their stay in the city, and every possible detail looking to the entertainment and pleasure of Kansas City's guests is being arranged. There is every indication that the encampment will be well attended. The city is centrally located and easy of access to the thousands who will want to come; the railroads have made good rates, and the season is one of the most favorable for the veterans, their families and friends to get away from home.

## First Methodist Church.

All the services at the First Methodist Church will begin thirty minutes earlier next Sunday morning. Let every one take notice of this. Sunday School will begin at 9:15 instead of 9:45. Preaching will begin at 10:30 instead of 11. This change is made to suit the needs of the congregation. This will make all the services close at 11:30.

Sunday morning begins our meeting. Be at this first service on time, and remember you are on the Welcoming Committee.

WALTER L. BARR, Pastor.  
7-27-31.

CASEMENT STILL HAS  
CHANCE FOR HIS LIFE

EXECUTION PROBABLY WILL NOT BE PUBLIC, ACCORDING TO GOOD AUTHORITY FROM LONDON.

By Associated Press.  
London, July 27.—Justice Darling announced today that the five judges who heard Sir Roger Casement's appeal from his death sentence for high treason would sit tomorrow "to hear a possible application in behalf of the convict." The nature of the application was not disclosed.

**Public Execution Improbable.**  
London, July 27.—The London News Agency says the public execution of Casement is improbable, and failing special instructions from the government, arrangements to hold it in privacy on August 3 will be proceeded with.

## SUBMISSION STILL LEADS.

By Associated Press.  
Dallas, Texas, July 27.—With El Paso county's 3,000 votes still out, submission increased its lead with the count at noon today, having a majority in its favor of 2,346. The total vote so far is: For 157,066; against 154,720. This has been the only question for several days in which the result was undecided.

## EPIDEMIC INCREASING.

By Associated Press.  
New York, July 27.—Thirty-one deaths and 151 new cases were recorded today in the infantile paralysis plague. A total of 700 children have now died.

## SEVERAL WERE INJURED.

By Associated Press.  
New York, July 27.—The first serious outbreak in the strike of the street car men in the Bronx occurred shortly after noon today when a mob of several hundred strikers attacked a car. Bricks were hurled through the windows and several persons are reported injured. Police reserves were summoned.

## SUBSIDED RAPIDLY.

By Associated Press.  
London, July 27.—Lawrence Ginnell, a Nationalist member of parliament, was suspended from the sitting of the house of commons this afternoon for disorderly conduct. He refused to leave, but made his exit when the sergeant-at-arms and four attendants approached him.

## FEW AND FAR BETWEEN.

In the lobby of a hotel they were talking about equivocal speeches when Henry Harrison, the author, was reminded of a little incident along that line.

At a dinner party somebody broached the subject of small vices. A party named Brown broke in with a dissertation on his own excellence.

"Of course I am not criticising anybody," he said, "but personally I never drink, swear, or indulge in habits of that kind."

"But, Mr. Brown," interjected one of the company, "you certainly smoke, don't you?"

"Yes, I like a cigar after a good meal," admitted Brown; "but I suppose that on an average I don't smoke more than one a month."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

## A LATER VERSION.

Here is a story that was recalled by C. H. Canby, president of the Chicago Board of Trade, at a dinner the other evening when the conversation turned to the difficulties that often confronted the public speaker:

Some time ago a well-known political speaker made an address in a Western city, and in order to illustrate an important point he loudly declaimed that Samson slew the Philistines. Instantly a man in the audience jumped to his feet.

"Just a minute there, Mr. Speaker," he cried in a large voice. "You are dead wrong about that Samson business."

"Wrong!" responded the speaker, who for a moment was considerably non-plussed. "What do you mean?"

"I mean that you have got another guess," confidently answered the other. "It was Dewey who licked the Philistines, not Samson."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

## EASY TO FIND.

Stranger—Which is the way to the office of Dr. Forceps, the painless dentist?

Little Boy—Just go up that way one block and turn in where you hear the hollerin' goin' on.—Exchange.

## HADN'T BEEN THERE.

Lecturer (in a small town).—Of course you all know what the inside of a corpse is like.

Chairman of the Meeting (interrupting).—Most of us do, but ye better explain it for the benefit of them as have never been inside one.—Puck.

## TIMES WANT ADS.

Money Makers

NEGRO CONFESSED  
TO MURDER OF NURSE

MYSTERY SURROUNDING MURDER MAY BE CLEARED UP BY ARREST OF NEGRO.

By Associated Press.  
Dallas, Texas, July 27.—A negro arrested in McKinney yesterday confessed to the authorities that he killed Miss Zola Cramer, a trained nurse, on the campus of the Oak Cliff high school March 26, according to the assistant county attorney. The officers refuse to divulge the negro's name. Miss Cramer was strangled to death after being robbed of her jewelry.

## FOR BETTER LIBRARIES.

By Associated Press.  
Austin, Texas, July 27.—At a joint meeting recently held here by the legislative committees of the State Federation of Women's Clubs and the Texas Library Association it was decided to recommend to the next legislature several important changes in the present county library law. Among the proposed changes are: Increase of the county library tax from 5 mills to a maximum of 5 cents on the \$100 of property valuation; the requiring of only 100 qualified voters instead of 25 per cent to sign a petition calling for an election to vote for or against a county library; certification of county librarians by a state board of library examiners; and a regular majority instead of a two-thirds vote in favor of the establishment of a county library to carry an election.

## GOLF TOURNEY AT KNOXVILLE.

Knoxville, Tenn., July 27.—The best golf talent of the entire South was represented on the links of the Cherokee Country club here today at the opening of the club's annual invitation tournament. The high-class entry list and the favorable conditions attending the opening combine to give promise of one of the most successful tournaments ever conducted here. Play will continue through the remainder of the week.

## WOMEN IN THE NEWS

Miss Lotta Crabtree, once one of the feted idols of the American stage and now nearly 70 years of age, has joined the artist colony at Gloucester, Mass., and recently began the study of art. Last year Miss Crabtree made the long journey from her home in New York to the San Francisco Exposition, where she had a "day" and was entertained like a queen. The Golden Gate city having been the scene of her first and her greatest triumphs. She went on the stage at the age of six and retired with a large fortune. She never married.

Mrs. Margaret T. Watson, widow of David T. Watson of Pittsburg, a famous international lawyer, recently died leaving an estate of \$2,500,000 to maintain a home for white crippled female children, to be established at the magnificent country residence of the Watsons, "Sunny Hill," near Leesdale, Pa. Useful trades and a "common sense education" for those who are taken in the home are specific instruction in the will, which bequeathed only a sum of \$100,000 altogether to relatives, friends and servants of the deceased.

Dr. Rhoda Erdmann, who has been appointed lecturer in Biology at Yale faculty, has received further recognition at the hands of the Rockefeller institute, which has appointed her associate in the department of animal pathology. With the appointment of Dr. Erdmann on the faculty, the Yale Corporation has also decided to admit women to the Yale School of Medicine. They will be admitted only in limited numbers at present, and must bring credentials that their equipment will insure continuance of the high standards of the institution.

If Mr. Hughes is elected President, there will come to the White House a woman who will forever refute the common belief that one cannot be at one and the same time a "college woman" and an "old-fashioned home woman." Mrs. Hughes is essentially a college woman, is a connoisseur in old engravings, in classical music and the highest forms of European literature, is, in fact, distinctly a "high brow" type as much as her distinguished husband, and yet all who know her well describe her as a woman with whom home, wifehood and motherhood are



## THE BRITISH BLACKLIST.

We read of the British blacklist of American firms who have sold goods to the Teutons and naturally we feel sore about it. We wonder what can be done without going to the extreme of declaring war against the allies, and we feel still sorer when we are told by the authorities on international law that we can do nothing—that the British are well within their rights in blacklisting any firms they dislike because they have been hostile to the allied cause.

After all, what is a blacklist? It is an agreement to buy no more, in this instance, from certain firms who have, or are alleged to have, sold goods to the enemies of those making the agreement. What redress is there?

What redress, for that matter, is there against any blacklist? In 1894 the combined railroad employees of the country joined an organization which the promoters said was going to solve all the problems of the workmen. No more "chain gang," no more extra hours without extra pay, no more oppression of labor by capital. The strike that followed was lost by the workmen, because there were enough who did not belong to the organization, or who deliberately withdrew from it when their bread and butter was threatened, to make the strike futile.

Then the railroads proceeded to show the workmen what real organization was. They secured the names of the most prominent men in the union and blacklisted them. The men were refused their old jobs back, and when they applied to other railroads they found that there was "no vacancy." The blacklist was effective, and not for several years afterward could some of the railroad men find employment at their trades.

Any attempt to prove that there was a blacklist proved futile. The men had officials cited by the courts to show cause why they should not be employed, only to discover that there was no evidence that could be accepted by a court that any blacklist existed.

In the present case, the blacklist is openly declared to be in force. There is no law in this country which will compel an English firm to buy goods from a firm in the United States. Even the Standard Oil would not attempt to use our government as a club to force the purchase of goods by a foreign firm that does not want to buy them. Money is all powerful and political influence goes for naught against such a boycott.

There is no remedy against such a state of affairs except to refuse to sell goods to an English firm. This seems poor consolation, but it is the absolute truth. And sooner or later those who established the blacklist will be the sufferers, provided the firms now blacklisted stick to an agreement never to sell to a British firm.

There may be Germans in this country patriotic enough to cut their commercial throats by such an agreement. There may even be American firms who will refuse in future to do any trading with the English people, but only by refusing to agree to a reciprocal arrangement can a blacklist be met when it is between two countries.

Were the blacklist to be established by residents of the United States, our laws could take cognizance of such a violation of the laws. But so far no method has been devised by which international "law" can be enforced. It is merely a "gentleman's agreement," by which the people of one nation agree to respect the rights of another nation, the agreement being capable of abrogation whenever the people of either nation see fit.

There is a great deal of worry over nothing, it would seem. If the blacklisted firms find it to their advantage to deal with the Teutons there should be a greater market than ever during the past two years for their goods. If the German reports of the successful launching of the new commercial submarine enterprise are to be taken into account.

And those who have done no trading with the Germans should be able to convince the British authorities of that fact, in which case their names will be removed from the blacklist. But no American court has any jurisdiction over the British or the Germans or any other people.

## A NEGRO OUTRAGE.

The news that the Eighth Illinois Infantry, a negro regiment, is coming to Laredo, while not official, has been received, and the people of our city will regret such a disposition of the negroes who almost started a race riot in San Antonio.

The Illinois negroes are not accustomed to the South and its ways, and the first trouble began when several of them refused to occupy the seats provided for them in the street cars, defying a policeman who was called to eject them and otherwise conducting themselves in an offensive manner.

Then later they stoned a lawyer of New Braunfels who was riding in his automobile past their camp, and began to stone the provost guard of the Nineteenth United States Infantry which had been sent to quell the disturbance. As a consequence four of the negroes were shot and wounded by the guards and the remainder were driven to their camp.

When the negro Guardsmen first came to San Antonio, Gen. Funston admonished both the negroes and the citizens of San Antonio to avoid any speech or conduct that might incite a clash between members of the two races. So far the citizens have refrained from starting any trouble, but

it seems that the negro soldiers are not disposed to avert clashes.

Laredo has had but one trouble with negro soldiers, and that was promptly subdued. We have less acquaintance with the negroes than most parts of the South, and those of the African race who live here have always been well treated and have behaved themselves.

One trouble with these Illinois negroes is that they come South with a deliberate intention of "proving to the white folks that they are as good as anyone." They demanded the white passengers' seats in street cars, although they know very well that in every part of the South a negro must ride in his own section of the car or walk. In addition, the law requiring seats for negro passengers to be marked is carefully observed all over Texas.

Those who seek trouble are certain to find it, and these negro Guardsmen in San Antonio received a sharp and salutary lesson. Of course, it is not at all certain that all of the Eighth Illinois are as evilly disposed as the rioters who precipitated the trouble. There were not more than thirty, according to the most reliable accounts, who engaged in the affray, and their officers have expressed regret as to the occurrence, although not making any detailed statement until after the investigation to be held.

Should the negro troops be sent here, the citizens of Laredo will not molest them in any way, and it will be their own fault if there is any friction between them and the white people. Neither the Americans nor the Mexicans of Laredo are of the trouble-breeding sort, and the troops will be given every opportunity to show that they are well-behaved and well-disposed toward the residents of our city.

Naturally, the first charge made is that the negroes who started the trouble were drunk. That being the case, they should have been confined to camp, at least, and not permitted to go into the city. There is rarely any difficulty on the part of a regular army officer in controlling the men of his command, and the Guardsmen now in Laredo have shown themselves to be equally under discipline.

Most of the so-called race troubles begin with the negroes. They are apt to go about with a chip on their shoulder, looking for someone who denies that they are as good as the white folks. Naturally this sort of conduct is irritating, and when one of the negroes oversteps the line he is apt to suffer.

At the same time, the white people should remember that they are looked to for a strict observance of the law, and that a white man who lowers himself by picking a fight with a negro is not much, if any, better than the negro. In this way much trouble can be avoided, and if the Eighth Illinois should come to Laredo they will be left to work out their own salvation.

The death of twenty-two men in a tunnel under Lake Erie shows the dangerous course that people have to accept to secure decent drinking water. And yet some people have the nerve to criticize the water which is supplied to the Guardsmen in Laredo without any danger to anyone, even in drinking it.

Now listen to Joe Boehmer crow! Gen. Bliss says the camps in Eagle Pass are the best he has seen so far, as there are practically no cases on the sick list. Undoubtedly the Guardsmen up there have been inoculated with the Eagle Pass torpidity and they won't know they are sick for several weeks to come.

When one considers that we only paid Mexico \$15,000,000 for the relinquishment of all claims on Texas and for a quit-claim deed to Arizona, New Mexico and California, it seems surprising that we should be willing to pay \$25,000,000 for a few fly specks on the map like the Danish West Indies. Perhaps it is because there are no revolutionists there.

Laredo certainly is healthy. We have some thousands of Guardsmen here, and the only death among them was due to an accidental drowning. Yet some of those far-off people in the North are terrified at the thought of their relatives living in this terrible (?) climate.

## The Texas Wey.

The copious rains of the past few days have been of material benefit to crops all over Texas. There are now few spots which have not a season in the ground sufficient for all purposes. Agricultural agents report that crops while somewhat late will be fully up to the average. Texas always makes crops enough for ordinary needs, but Texas people like luxury and extravagance too well to be satisfied with actual necessities. These rains will permit the usual indulgence in these things to which the farmers of other parts are strangers. —Houston Post.



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## NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 26.  
George Bernard Shaw, most famous of Great Britain's dramatists and satirists, whose bitter criticism of England's course in the war has raised more than one storm in the "fight little isle," is 60 years old today. Mr. Shaw was born in Dublin, July 26, 1856, and the place of his birth explains in some measure both his extraordinary native wit and the use he has made of it in pitiless satire of English life. The brilliant Irishman is a Socialist, a suffragist, and a vegetarian, and his sympathies are as a matter of principle engaged on the side which goes against the grain of venerated British institutions. As a literary critic his keenest sport has been to demolish sacred reputations, notably that of Shakespeare. His books have been translated into the languages of all civilized countries, and his rank as a writer of satirical drama is unsurpassed. He has often been compared for the biting sarcasm of his satire to the great French classic Moliere. As keen and daring a pen as Mr. Shaw's would naturally bring any man into trouble in war time, and his latest comedy, entitled "O'Flaherty V. C.," and telling of the real impressions of an Irish hero decorated with the Victoria Cross at the front, has been suppressed by the British censor.

## JUDGMENT FOR MRS. BENAVIDES

For Second Time She Recovers Partial Judgment in Suit Against J. T. Rosetti, Trespass to Try Title.  
Yesterday in the district court, with Judge Ed. H. Weeks of San Antonio, sitting as special judge, the case of Mrs. Lila G. Benavides vs. John T. Rosetti, a trespass to try title suit was disposed of, when judgment was rendered in behalf of Mrs. Benavides for one-half of a lot on which a portion of the Strand Theatre is located, being part of lot 5, in block 41, W. D. However, as regarded her interest in Porcion No. 5, Webb county, for which plaintiff was also suing, she failed to recover judgment.

The case had previously been tried at the spring term of the court by Judge Weeks and judgment rendered in favor of the plaintiff, but a new trial was granted Rosetti and the judgment set aside, and consequently the second trial yesterday resulted.

Opportunity.  
Thirty years ago Bernhard Blitzer arrived at Ellis Island, coming by steamer from Hungary, with 19 cents in his pocket. He invested the 19 cents in suspenders—not to wear, but to sell. When he had sold them he bought more. Eating and lodging were incidental and unimportant. Pretty soon he owned a pushcart. The other night Blitzer gave a dinner to his traveling salesmen at a big New York hotel and distributed \$15,000 as dinner favors. His wealth enables him to give away fortunes more easily than he could have spent pennies when he came. He made it mostly in electric fixtures—and there were no such thing in existence when he landed.—Orange Leader.

## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 26.  
1775—First post office established in North America, with Franklin as postmaster, the route extending from Falmouth, New England, to Savannah, Georgia.  
1815—United States secured treaty and indemnity from Tunis.  
1820—Charles X of France dissolved the newly elected Chamber of Deputies, suppressed the liberty of the press and altered the suffrage law, thereby giving rise to the revolution which cost him his throne.  
1862—Gen. Sam Houston, great Texas leader, died at the age of 70.  
1869—Church of Ireland dissolved by Gladstone's government.  
1890—Disastrous cyclone at Lawrence, Mass.  
1898—The Spanish Government, through Ambassador Cambon of France, asked the United States for terms of peace.  
1904—Battle of Port Arthur begun, with capture of Wolf Hill from the Russians by the Japanese.  
1912—Eight Detroit aldermen arrested for taking bribes.  
1914—Riot in Dublin, caused by attempt to intercept consignment of rifles for Irish Nationalist Volunteers; police and military fire on mob, killing four and wounding several.  
1915—THE WAR:  
Russians check movement on Warsaw by repulsing assault on fortress of Ivangorod and by driving back Germans who had crossed the River Narva. Great Britain requests that reply to Washington be withheld from publication as she intends to send amended statement. Strongly fortified position of the Germans in Alsace, at an altitude of 650 feet, dominating advance trenches, captured by the French. Germans advance in region of the River Bug and north of the River Niemen.

## Don't Need to Worry.

Chief Justice Phillips and Justice Yantis of the state supreme court are behaving admirably in the present campaign. Although they have opposition shelling the woods on the stump for voters, they refuse to take to the hustings. They don't think such actions ethical and demonstrative of the dignity their elevated positions demand. The public thinks as these estimable men do. Men of merit and qualification should be elevated to the supreme bench, politicians yelling prohibition and anti-prohibition should be escorted to the rear. They will be defeated by the voters, who recognize in Chief Justice Phillips and Justice Yantis strong men.—Beville Bee.

## The Lucky Guy.

The Boston Advertiser says Postmaster General Albert Burleson was rescued from drowning, but we can't believe it. Albert has been constantly in the swim for twenty-five years, and we cling to the belief that when he was pulled out of the Potomac his pockets were full of fish.—Houston Post.

## REPORT OF GENERAL BLISS COMPLIMENTARY TO LAREDO IN HIS OFFICIAL REPORT HE PRAISES CAMPS HERE

Said Sanitary Conditions Are Excellent, But That Laredo Authorities Even Improving Them.

In his official report to the war department, or rather advices, following his inspection of the state troops stationed along the Texas border, Major General Tasker H. Bliss highly commends the efficiency of the militia camps at Laredo and praises the excellent sanitary and hygienic conditions which he found existing in the three separate camps here.

It is a known fact that here in Laredo the health conditions far surpass those of San Antonio or rather places where camps are maintained, as here at this time and since the coming of the militiamen there has been no sickness of a serious nature and no deaths among the soldiers, except one, and that was a member of the Maine camp, and he was accidentally drowned at San Ignacio on Saturday.

The following item regarding the inspection trip made by Major General Bliss, appearing under a Washington date, is of interest to the people of Laredo, and in fact the whole country, as it speaks volumes of praise for this section of country. The Washington item reads as follows:

"Major General Bliss advised the War Department today that he had completed inspections of the Missouri, New Hampshire and Maine Infantry camps at Laredo, Texas, and found health conditions excellent, less than 1 per cent of the command being in the hospital and no serious cases reported.

"The water supply, while abundant in all cases, General Bliss said, had to be boiled for drinking purposes but the Laredo authorities would take immediate steps to improve purification and rendering boiling unnecessary. The command was reported excellently sheltered with exception of two companies of the Fourth Missouri, for which new tents had been requisitioned. Regarding the food supply, the general said all officers interviewed by him had stated it was abundant in quantity and of excellent quality. He added that a general spirit of contentment existed among the men.

"The full report of Major General Bliss on his inspection of National Guardsmen in the Brownsville district, made public today at the War Department, says that in an inspection of all camps and more than 30,000 men, reports of inefficiency and bad rations were found to be wholly false. The one fault General Bliss found—and that, he says, is already remedied—was that during the first few days of the mobilization the food lacked variety. Many of the guardsmen, General Bliss reported, said their rations were better than the food they were accustomed to at home."

## AN ANSWER

## To J. O. Buenz' Notice.

I read in the Laredo Times, issue of the 24th inst., your notice with reference to city taxes. Lots 6 and 7 of block 288 W. D., which I believe you allude to, appear delinquent for the years 1886, 1887, 1890 and 1891, as per records in this office. With regard to city tax collectors before 1906 I have nothing to say, as in that year I was elected to this office, which I have held continuously to date.

Respectfully yours,  
D. C. DE LACHICA,  
City Tax Collector.

## DEATH OF LIC. AMADO GONZALES

Former Well Known Mexican Lawyer of Nuevo Laredo Passes Away in Monterey After Illness.

According to news contained in a telegram received in Nuevo Laredo this morning, Lic. Amado Gonzales, a former well known attorney of Nuevo Laredo, died in Monterey last night following a short illness.

Lawyer Gonzales formerly resided in Nuevo Laredo, where he enjoyed a lucrative practice, but after the overthrow of the Diaz government he removed to Monterey and there he had made his home the past five years.

## Constipation and Indigestion.

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere.

## GUARDSMEN SEEK DISCHARGES

Quite a Few of the Militiamen Here Are Taking Advantage of the "Dependence" Clause to Get Out.

Since the militiamen of Maine, Missouri and New Hampshire came to Laredo to encamp, following mobilizations in their respective camps, a law was adopted pertaining to all national guardsmen in service that whereby it could be proven that they had families dependent upon them, they could make application through the proper channels and get honorable discharges from the federal service, into which all the national guard has been impressed.

In the three contingents of men here there are many who left their homes and loved ones to come to the border in the hopes that they could serve their country and flag, but now since things have become changed and the elusive dove of peace in Mexico flies back and forth and there seems a doubt that their services on a sanguinary field will be needed, many of the young men want to get out of the army.

Privates receive \$15 per month for their services in the army, and this is meager money to support a family on, although the family was willing to hazard chances of gaining a livelihood if their "boy," husband or father was to fight for his country. But now the men who came willing to the front when trouble threatened want to go back to their vocations, since it appears that all the hullabaloo amounts to nothing.

## Barbershop Changes Location.

I wish to notify my friends and patrons that my barbershop now located on Flores Avenue will be changed to the east end of the Laredo National Bank building and will be opened in its new and handsome quarters on August 1. I will have every modern convenience, the best barber fixtures that the market affords and the most sanitary barber shop in Laredo, including a tile floor. Give me a call.

MATEO LOPEZ,  
7-25-17.

## Call for County Convention.

The Democratic County Convention of Webb County, composed of precinct delegates elected from the various election precincts of the county on Primary Election Day, July 22, 1916, will meet in the district court room in the County Court House in Laredo, Texas, on Monday night, July 29, 1916, at 8:30 o'clock, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and various District Conventions, electing a Democratic County Executive Committee for the ensuing two years, and for the transaction of any other business which may be properly brought before the meeting.

J. R. MOORE,  
Chairman Dem. Ex. Com., Webb Co. Laredo, Texas, July 24, 1916.

7-26-17.

Should Sloan's Liniment Go Along? Of course it should! For after a strenuous day when your muscles have been exercised to the limit an application of Sloan's Liniment will take the soreness and stiffness away and get you in fine shape for the morrow. You should also use it for a sudden attack of toothache, stiff neck, backache, stings, bites and the many accidents that are incidental to a vacation. "We would as soon leave our baggage as go on a vacation or camp out without Sloan's Liniment." Writes one vacationist: "We use it for everything from mercurials to toothache." Put a bottle in your bag, be prepared and have no regrets.

## DR. H. M. AUSTIN NAMED.

Has Been Selected By Mayor McComb to Succeed Dr. O. J. Cook, Resigned as City Health Officer.

Dr. H. M. Austin has been appointed as city health officer by Mayor Robert McComb to succeed Dr. O. J. Cook, who has tendered his resignation, which becomes effective next Monday, August 1.

Dr. Cook has been city health officer here the past three years and has given the city valuable service at a time when it was badly needed and won the gratitude and thanks of those who realized what he had to contend with when Laredo was in the throes of a threatening epidemic.

## MIGHT HAVE BEEN RIGHT, AFTER ALL.

Distinguished Out-of-Town Guest (speaking at a banquet)—Your beautiful little city appeals to me. As we came in on the train I remarked to my wife: "Ah, my dear, you and I ought to be living on the top of one of these magnificent hills."

Toastmaster (in hoarse whisper)—Go easy; we've got only two hills in town. The insane asylum is on one, and the sewage works on the other.—Exchange.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

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Delivered to any part of the city.  
TELEPHONE 252

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Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

## CRAZY MINERAL WATER

A natural mineral water is such a positive eliminant that it is worth a trial in all diseases where elimination is not thorough. Try it in constipation, rheumatism, Bright's diseases, diabetes, acid dyspepsias, etc. Ask for booklet.

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LAREDO, TEXAS

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The noted "QUEEN QUALITY" for Ladies and a general line of footwear for big and little folks.  
"WONDER HOSK," the best guaranteed Hose, which does away with hose trouble.  
Men's Panama Hats, Silk Dress Shirts and Union Suits. Underwear. STATIONERY ANNEX  
Venus Copying Pencils, Writing Tablets and Drawing Materials.

## Choice Meat

First stall south side of city market

REFRIGERATED  
BEEF  
RECEIVED DAILY  
NARCISO ALANIS  
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Builders' Hardware and all kinds of Roofing; also, Planing Mill in connection.

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Bicycles and Supplies  
ALL WORK GUARANTEED

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PHONE 192

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.  
Every family without exception should keep this preparation at hand during the hot weather of the summer months. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is worth many times its cost when needed and is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over. It has no superior for the purposes for which it is intended. Buy it now. Obtainable everywhere.



## BRING REMAINS TO LAREDO AND THEN SEND THEM HOME

REMAINS OF PRIVATE HARDING,  
DROWNED IN RIVER SENT HOME

Funeral Procession This Forenoon  
and Noon Was One of the Saddest  
Ever Witnessed in This City.

The body of Private Reuben A. Harding of Co. E, Second Maine Infantry Regiment, who was drowned at San Ignacio on Saturday afternoon, was brought here last night on a motor truck accompanied by several of the Maine boys and taken to the Convery Undertaking Parlor. Later the body was prepared for shipment and was sent this afternoon to the home of deceased in Canton, Maine.

One of the Maine soldiers accompanying the remains to Laredo last night stated to the Times reporter that Harding had evidently been seized with cramps while in the water, as he disappeared from view very quickly and never again came to the surface. Despite the fact that search for the body was immediately begun it was not recovered until yesterday morning at a point about two miles down river from where the drowning occurred, and it was then in very shallow water. The drowning of their comrade caused a great shock to the other Maine boys who were bathing in the Rio Grande at the time.

On of the saddest and most impressive military funerals ever held in Laredo resulted when the remains of Private Harding were escorted to the railroad station. At 11 o'clock this forenoon the regimental staff of the Second Maine Infantry Regiment, headed by the Second Maine (University of Maine) Band, followed by Colonel Hume and staff and the machine gun platoon of the regiment, and also a firing squad, arrived at the Convery Undertaking Parlor, the band playing a funeral dirge as the procession wended its way from the Maine camp to the undertaking parlor. Arriving at the Convery establishment the procession halted and awaited the arrival of a caisson from the Ninth Infantry Camp.

About noon the caisson received the box and coffin containing the remains of Private Harding and began its march to the railroad station, the remains being accompanied by a squad of men from the company to which the deceased belonged, the regimental commander and staff and the regimental band, the latter being at the head of the procession and playing "Nearer My God to Thee." The machine gun company and firing squad also were in line.

Many tear-stained eyes watched that procession—many thought of the mother at home who had sent her son to the front to fight for his country and flag and who now awaited the coming of the remains of him who had met with a sad fate by drowning. All respect and reverence to the volunteer who was uppermost in the minds of those who saw the regiment and the men of the command paying tribute to the private who had answered the last call—though same was not where bullets whizzed, where cannon balls ricocheted or where blood was spilled on the altar of his country—but who had met death while seemingly enjoying the pleasure of a bath in the serene Rio Grande.

At the depot there were tear-stained eyes among the regimental officers, among the company officers—among the privates who composed the machine gun platoon and the firing squad who accompanied the remains of their comrade to the depot, there to begin the sad homeward journey. At the depot the casket was placed aboard the train, while standing nearby were Maine militiamen with bowed heads, while the band again played that sad and touching hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee." And the remains were sent on their way to Canton, Maine, there to be received by the mother, father and friends of Private Harding and consigned to their last resting place in Mother Earth. Peace to his ashes.

### Taking Big Chances.

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.

### POPE'S NAMEDAY OBSERVED.

Rome, July 25.—One of the largest bodies of Catholic pilgrims seen in Rome since the beginning of the war visited the Vatican today to participate in the observance of the nameday of Pope Benedict. This afternoon his Holiness received the members of the Sacred College when the usual good wishes of the prelates were extended.

## Don't Let a Cold Get a Good Start

The way to check a cold is to fight it from the first. Even the worst maladies often are easily conquered if attacked early enough. Colds may lead to asthma, bronchial troubles and pulmonary affections. In the treatment of these one of the first needs is to build up body resistance. Eckman's Alternative often has assisted in such upbuilding. As a treatment for the troubles named, it has been used for more than twenty years. And in many instances it has effected lasting relief.

As with any other medicine, it should be regarded only as a first aid to right care and hygienic living—and a safe one. For it contains no narcotics, opiates or habit-forming drugs of any sort.

At your druggist's.  
Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia.

## LITTLE LOCALS

Camp Missouri will soon be one of the most model military camps in the country, and equipped with many conveniences for the men: The Y. M. C. A. and Knights of Columbus gymnasiums and reading rooms and the other apartments to be built there will all conduce to the pleasures and pastimes of the "show me" aggregation.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office.

—Arrivals from Mexico say that conditions in the interior of the republic are most deplorable at this time, that many of the unemployed and poor are suffering from privations and people generally are discouraged. In some few places, however, a few of the smaller industrial plants have resumed operations after a suspension of a year or more.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage.

—It is very probable that the Fourth Missouri Infantry Band will give a band concert on Jarvis Plaza Thursday evening. A number of the band stated today that arrangements were being made to get the band in shape for that time.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office.

—A revival meeting will begin at the First Methodist church next Sunday. Further announcement will be made.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans.

4-24-tf. (Adv.)

—The first death in the militia camps here resulted from drowning, and today, with full military honors, the unfortunate victim of the accident was taken to the railroad station and sent home, there to be consigned to the deathless silence of the dreamless dust.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials.

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## LAND COMMISSIONER ROBINSON WILL NOT FORFEIT STATE LANDS

BECAUSE OF DROUGHT OWNERS  
BE GIVEN MORE TIME.

Considerate Action on Part of State  
Land Commissioner Will Give  
Purchasers Extension of Time.

The following letter is self-explanatory, and County Clerk Ambrosio Rodriguez makes it public for the knowledge of all who have purchased state lands:

On account of the extraordinary bad conditions in your county by reason of the drought, which has resulted in the loss of a great deal of stock, I have concluded not to forfeit lands in your county for non-payment of interest to November 1, 1915, as I have heretofore advertised I would do on August 15th. As to what time forfeitures will be declared I cannot now even suggest, but rest assured ample notice will be given owners in advance of such forfeiture for them to have plenty of time to pay their interest. I have not heretofore communicated this to your country for the reason some people might have been unkind enough to think I was postponing forfeitures in order to induce people in the counties affected to vote for me. As the election will be held tomorrow, I am sending this at the earliest date I could without your having received it before election. You are at liberty to have this letter pushed in your county papers, and I would also ask you to kindly inform your local banks so that they may inform such customers as would call upon them for loans with which to pay their interest.

Yours very truly,  
J. T. ROBINSON,  
Commissioner.

## FAMILY AVOIDS SERIOUS SICKNESS

By Being Constantly Supplied With  
Thedford's Black-Draught.

McDuff, Va.—"I suffered for several years," says Mrs. J. B. Whitaker, of this place, "with sick headache, and stomach trouble."

Ten years ago a friend told me to try Thedford's Black-Draught, which I did, and I found it to be the best family medicine for young and old.

I keep Black-Draught on hand all the time now, and when my children feel a little bad, they ask me for a dose, and it does them more good than any medicine they ever tried.

We never have a long spell of sickness in our family, since we commenced using Black-Draught.

Thedford's Black-Draught is purely vegetable, and has been found to regulate weak stomachs, aid digestion, relieve indigestion, colic, wind, nausea, headache, sick stomach, and similar symptoms.

It has been in constant use for more than 70 years, and has benefited more than a million people.

Your druggist sells and recommends Black-Draught. Price only 25c. Get a package to-day.

## SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt  
Editor . . . Phone 70

### SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

Red Cross Sewing Circles C and D will meet at the home of Mrs. J. W. Mussett at nine o'clock in the morning.

Ladies Night at the Ninth Infantry Club in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor Society will have a business meeting at the church this evening.

Wednesday.

Red Cross Class in First Aid will meet at Elks Hall at nine o'clock in the morning.

Mrs. M. T. Cogley will entertain the Nullo Club at half after nine o'clock in the morning.

Rev. Chas. W. Cook and Furney Muller will leave today for Rio Grande City on a business trip.

Mr. C. M. Fish returned yesterday from a short stay in Corpus Christi.

Miss Zenaida Salinas and her mother, Mrs. Montalvo, returned yesterday from a visit in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. J. R. Moore and daughter returned yesterday from Corpus Christi.

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Mrs. D. F. Anderson is substituting as organist for the Travis Park Methodist church, San Antonio, for Miss Mildred Gates, who is in New York.

Mrs. Anderson's playing was a revelation to the San Antonio people.

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Miss Miriam Werner expects to leave on Thursday night for a visit with her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Crouse, in Washington, and Chester, Nova Scotia, and will be away for several months.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Mann and children expect to leave today for Reagan Wells for a visit.

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Mrs. C. H. Bell, accompanied by Mrs. Percy Ince, left today at noon for Mineral Wells.

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Mrs. Fletcher Smith and son Lamar have returned from a visit to relatives in Robstown.

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Mr. and Mrs. Almon Perkins and daughter Perol have returned from a visit to relatives in Goliad.

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Miss Margaret MacGregor will return home today, after spending the weekend with relatives in Corpus Christi.

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Mrs. Harvey Dibrell of Seguin left for her home on Sunday, after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Sam Mackin.

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Christian Endeavor.

The Christian Endeavor Society held its regular meeting at the Christian church Sunday evening.

Miss Madge Barlow was the leader and the subject of the lesson was "Enthusiasm." A number of interesting talks were made by the Guardsmen present. The meeting on next Sunday will be conducted by the Guardsmen.

There was a good attendance.

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B. Y. P. U.

The B. Y. P. U. held its regular weekly meeting on Sunday evening with Miss Olivette Landrum as leader.

The subject of the lesson was "May I Expect God to Take Care of Me When Danger Threatens?"

Paul's Call Into Service.

Mr. M. Saltee

Paul Cared for by God in His Early Ministry.

Sanchez Giddins

Paul on His First Missionary Journey.

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Paul on His Second Missionary Journey.

Mr. Absher

Paul on His Third Missionary Journey.

Miss Minnie Burr

Paul on His Way to Rome.

Mr. R. Bodett

Song.

Benediction.

There was a large attendance.

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Splash and Lawn Party.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lobdell entertained most delightfully last evening with a splash and lawn party, complimenting the Misses Mackin and their house-guest, Miss Alma Dibrell of Seguin.

The party motored to the Lobdell home, and after a jolly swim in the pool, the hostess served delicious refreshments consisting of punch, chicken and ham sandwiches, cheese straws, sweet wafers, olives, ice-cream and cake. The young people whiled away several hours most pleasantly in dancing. A number of beautiful songs were also sung. Chairs and swings were placed under the wide-spreading gallery for the guests. Those to enjoy the hospitality of the evening were: The honorees, Captain and Mrs. Read, Dr. and Mrs. Halsell, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. DaCamara, Captain and Mrs. Sirmeyer, Meadames Mackin, James, Slaughter, V. S. Oberfeldt, King, Misses Clarice Ryan, Louise Muller, Helen Richter, Olivia Schultz, Marzelle Boone, Maxine Taylor, Courtney Slaughter, Lillian and Belle Westbrook, Helen and Catherine MacGregor, Col. Kennon, Major Heavey, Captain Smith, Captain Hern, Lieutenants Leavenworth, Wogan, Moore, Wingate, Stephenson, Montgomery, Larabee, Messrs. Dave Chaille, Prinz Buttrom, Carlos Richter and Jack Lobdell.

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EXPERT DIAGNOSIS.

Doctor—Well, and how did you find yourself this morning?

Patient—Oh, I just opened my eyes, and there I was.—Purple Cow.

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

County of Webb.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County, greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon J. J. Wells, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Webb County, to be held at the Court-house thereof in Laredo, on the 11th Monday after the 1st Monday in September, A. D. 1915, the same being the 20th day of November, 1915, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 18th day of October, 1915, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court, No. 3950, wherein Annie B. Wells is plaintiff and J. J. Wells, is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were married December 14th, 1914, in the County of Webb, that the marriage bonds still exist between plaintiff and defendant. That on the 21st day of April, A. D. 1915, defendant violently struck plaintiff with his hand and knocked plaintiff down and violently slapped her in the face and threatened that if plaintiff left him that he would take her life and otherwise inflicted upon plaintiff great pain. That since the 21st of April, 1915, this plaintiff has not lived with defendant. That during the time plaintiff lived with defendant her conduct toward him was that of a loving and dutiful wife. That defendant's actions towards plaintiff were so unreasonable, antagonistic and cruel as to render their living together as wife and husband insupportable. That plaintiff has for more than one year resided in the State of Texas, and for more than six months next preceding the filing of this petition, been a resident of Webb County, Texas.

Wherefore plaintiff prays that the marriage bonds existing between she and defendant be in all things dissolved and that she be granted a divorce, that she have judgment for costs and general and special relief.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court on the First day of the next term thereof this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness E. E. OCHOA, Clerk of the District Court of Webb County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at office in the City of Laredo, Texas, this 17th day of July, A. D. 1915.

ELISEO E. OCHOA,  
Clerk of the District Court of Webb County, Texas.

Issued this 17th day of July, A. D. 1915.

ELISEO E. OCHOA,  
Clerk of the District Court of Webb County, Texas.

DISCONCERTING CANDOR.

Surgeon (to patient he is about to operate on)—Well, old chap, if I don't see you again, here's luck—Puck.

EX-KING MANOEL DISABLED

Queen's club, London, in which well-known players competed, Manoel, former king of Portugal, fell and sprained his ankle. The picture shows M. J. G. Ritchie and S. M. Doust, noted tennis experts, carrying Manoel off the field.

How Saint-Saens Worked.

I have met Saint-Saens in three continents, says Louis Lombard in the National Magazine. He has traveled repeatedly through North and South America, Europe, Africa and parts of Asia. Frequently he wanders into outlandish places.

I recall asking why he went away from the civilized centers during the musical season, venturing to remark he might like to know what is being done by other composers. He answered: "That's just what I do not want to do! I do not wish to be influenced by the music of others." And he is right also for another reason: "It is best to go direct to nature for the truth."

His journeys away from cities away from the "hum and shock of men," have borne delicious fruit. Faithfully has he reproduced the many strange and picturesque local colors he beheld so often in far off lands.

For Neat and Accurate Job Work  
Ring up 48.

## BERLIN CONFESSES RUSSIAN VICTORY

BRITISH AND FRENCH ARE STILL  
PROGRESSING THOUGH GER-

MANS BELITTLE THE  
SUCCESSSES.

By Associated Press.

British troops captured the greater part of the village of Pozieres, says the London statement. The Germans brought up reinforcements of infantry and guns, but the counter attacks were everywhere repulsed. On the south bank of the Somme yesterday the French captured a block of houses south of Estrees and drove the Germans out of the trenches north of Verdun. A second German bulletin announces that the Russians penetrated the German first line on a small part of the front defended by von Linsingen's troops. The Petrograd statement says that Russian detachments have already reached positions ten miles from the Turkish fortified town of Erzizan.

Defends British Blacklist.

London, July 25.—Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, defended the British blacklist from American criticism in the house of commons today, saying that the act was designed to cut off those who had been openly hostile to England. If any firms had been unjustly included, he said, remedial steps would be taken.

### FIRE LOSS \$100,000.

By Associated Press.

Wichita falls, Texas, July 25.—Fire destroyed the warehouse of the McCall Transfer Company today with a loss of \$100,000.

### EAGLE PASS CAMPS BEST.

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 25.—Gen. Bliss, reporting to the war department after inspection of the camps at Eagle Pass, said on the whole these were the best he has seen, with practically none on the sick list.

### CONVENTION OF MOTORCYCLISTS.

Providence, R. I., July 25.—Every train and boat arriving in Providence today brought its quota of delegates in visitors to the annual national convention and assembly of the Federation of American Motorcyclists, which is to hold forth here during the remainder of this week. The attendance and enthusiasm recall to the old-timers the days when the national wheels of the League of American Wheelmen were among the largest yearly gatherings held in this country.

Members of the reception committee today met each train and boat and gave all possible information to the visitors. Hundreds of the arrivals brought their motorcycles along, and baggage rooms of railroad stations and hotels looked like some mammoth cycle clearinghouse.

The election of officers, the selection of the next meeting place, and the consideration of a number of changes proposed for the by-laws of the federation will occupy attention of the delegates at their business sessions. Between sessions there will be numerous features of entertainment provided for the visitors. Of most interest, however, will be the racing program that will be carried out in conjunction with the meeting. The races will take place at the Narragansett Park Speedway, commencing Thursday and continuing over Friday and Saturday.

### HAD THEM ALL BEAT.

The late Sir W. S. Gilbert of Savoy opera fame met Liebling, the pianist, and the following interchange of courtesies occurred between them, says an exchange:

Liebling was introduced to Gilbert, and Gilbert said:

"Sir, I have heard Liszt."

Liebling bowed his head in acknowledgment at what he supposed was the coming compliment.

"I have heard Henry Hertz," continued Gilbert. Liebling bowed still lower. "I have heard Paderewski," Liebling made a genuflection even unto the ground.

"Well, sir," continued Gilbert, in abrupt tones, "not one of them—not one of them, sir—perspired as profusely as you do!"

### A Hacking Cough Weakens The System.

Don't suffer with a hacking cough that has weakened your system—get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, in use over 40 years, and benefiting all who use it, the soothing pine balsam with tar heal the irritated air passages—soothe the raw spots, loosen the mucous and prevent racking the body with coughing. Dr. King's New Discovery induces natural sleep and aids nature to cure you.

### Barbershop Changes Location.

I wish to notify my friends and patrons that my barbershop now located on Flores Avenue will be changed to the east end of the Laredo National Bank building and will be opened in its new and handsome quarters on August 1. I will have every modern convenience, the best barber fixtures that the market affords and the most sanitary barber shop in Laredo. Give me a call.

MATEO LOPEZ.  
7-25-15.

## GAS EXPLOSION IS CAUSE OF DISASTER

ONLY SURVIVORS MAY  
DIE FROM BREATH-  
ING FUMES.

By Associated Press.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 25.—Twenty-two men are dead and six others dying as the result of an explosion of gas in the waterworks tunnel five miles from the shore underneath Lake Erie last night. The dead include workmen trapped in the tunnel when the explosion occurred and members of two rescue parties. Eleven men were in the force trapped by the explosion, the cause of which is not known. The first rescue party consisted of seven men, of whom four perished and three were saved. The second rescue party had eleven men, of whom six lost their lives. Of the eight rescuers who got out alive, two later died and the remainder may die, as they are suffering from fumes. The tragic fate of the rescuers was due to the fact that they worked without oxygen helmets, which were not available. The city will investigate the lack of helmets.

Rescuers working with oxygen helmets brought out the bodies from the tunnel. No more were found alive. All ten bodies so far recovered are members of the first and second rescue parties. The eleven workmen originally entombed are still buried. The rescuers believe that the tunnel caved in after the explosion and that the remaining victims are buried under tons of mud and may not be rescued for days.

### EPIDEMIC STILL RAGES.

By Associated Press.

New York, July 25.—There were 38 deaths and 150 new cases of infantile paralysis in the last 24 hours.

### STANDS BEHIND PROGRAM.

By Associated Press.

Washington, July 25.—Official word went to the capital today that President Wilson stands behind the construction program of the naval bill as it passed the senate, including four dreadnaughts and four battle cruisers to be built immediately.

### RAILROAD CRISIS APPROACHES.

New York, July 25.—The controversy between the railroads of the country and their train employees over the latter's demands for higher wages and improved working conditions, is rapidly nearing a head. Today a meeting of the officials of the four great railway brotherhoods, representing the locomotive engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen, is scheduled to be held in this city. The purpose of the meeting is to begin an official count of the vote polled by the memberships of the four brotherhoods on the proposal to resort to extreme measures in the enforcement of their demands. The results of the national vote, it is expected, will be known by August 10. A majority of two-thirds vote will be necessary to bring about drastic measures. When the final results of the balloting have determined the committees representing the brotherhoods again will take up the matter with the managers of the railroads. There negotiations, it is understood, will consume something like two weeks. By September 1 the trainmen expected to be in position to call a general strike or effect an amicable settlement.

### FROM THE EDUCATOR'S NOTE-BOOK.

Final registration figures of the Columbia University Summer School show a total enrollment of 8,039 students, exceeding last year's by 2,000 and one unprecedented in American summer school records.

The World's Salesmanship Congress which recently met at Detroit adopted a resolution approving a plan to establish courses in salesmanship in universities and colleges throughout the United States, and a fund of nearly \$200,000 was at once raised to insure a permanent organization.

A state institute of county school superintendents will be held in Austin, Texas, July 25 to July 29, the first ever held in Texas, with speakers of state and national reputation and an educational exhibit in connection with it.

The trustees of Denison University, Ohio, have authorized the establishment of a chair of the Bible, the result of a prize offered by Dr. James G. Dittmars of Brooklyn, N. Y., long a pastor and now a practicing physician, for complete theses on some Bible theme by the seniors of that institution, his alma mater. Dr. Dittmars says he was induced to establish the prize because Christian colleges give so little attention to the Bible while training young men for their life work.

### VANITY.

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "is so vain that if dey could read their own epitaphs dey'd believe every word of 'em."—Washington Star.



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## ANTI-PREPAREDNESS.

Some of the opponents of preparedness are using the time-worn argument that the enlistment of a large force is primarily for the purpose of overawing labor unions, and the use of the federal forces in 1894 to put down (?) the strike of the American Railway Union is cited as a proof of this charge.

Federal forces were never used to "put down" any strike in this country, nor were they ever used to overawe labor unions. The use of the federal forces in 1894 was merely to prevent the lawless element—many of them not in any way connected with the labor unions—from committing depredations, especially those connected with the United States mail service.

Whenever armed forces, either state or national, are called out in strikes, it is not for the purpose of dominating the strikers, who have a perfect right to strike, if they choose, but not to destroy the property of their former employers, or to kill or maim those who take their positions. The forces behind the law are those of the people, and an inconsiderable portion of the people is in favor of violence, either on the part of the strikers, the strike-breakers or the authorities.

The attitude of the federal troops toward all parties to a strike is that of absolute impartiality. The men obey their officers' orders, the officers are careful to give no orders which might cause useless bloodshed, and all are responsible to the civil authorities, whose orders they must obey at all hazards.

We have had a standing army for many years, while strikes are not of very ancient standing, particularly strikes stained with crimes of violence. Had there been any intention on the part of our federal government to use the army to overawe the labor unions, there have been many occasions on which the use of such force would have had ample justification.

The proposition to prepare for national defense does not mean hostility toward any class of our own people, unless that class should be hostile to the government and subversive of law and order. Not even the worst enemy of labor unions would charge that they were subversive of law and order, or that they were as a body hostile to the government.

In 1893 an order was issued for the conscription of able-bodied men for service in the federal armies, in order to bring the war to a close. In several of the Northern cities, especially New York and Philadelphia, the "draft riots" had to be put down by armed force, but not until the rioters had killed hundreds of people, mainly negroes, who were charged by the frenzied mobs with being the cause of the drafts.

Would anyone charge that the use of federal troops to put down these riots was not justifiable? Naturally, the rioters were mostly of the lowest class of people, the great majority not even being American citizens.

It is this same class which perpetrates all the outrages which cause the labor unions to be looked upon as lawless. During the American Railway Union strike in 1894 the majority of the outrages were directly traced to men who not only did not belong to the railway unions, but who had not done a stroke of work for years, being bums and panhandlers, and many of them of foreign birth or descent, most of them not even American citizens.

To put down such riots was not to overawe or dominate the labor unions. It was for the good of the union men that these riots were suppressed. It took away from the labor unions the outrages, as most of those arrested and convicted of crimes during that strike were never members of any labor union.

When an invading army reaches our shores, if ever it will not wear any union labor badge. And the men who defend their homes against the invader will not be asked if they "belong to the union." Yet it is safe to say that every union workman who is physically sound will be in the ranks of his country's defenders, fighting for his home and his loved ones. For labor union men are that kind of people. They are not shirkers, nor do they insist upon the label on either the uniform or the flag.

## A MOVIE MENACE?

According to The Fatherland, the subsidized organ of the German empire in the United States, "The Fall of a Nation," "The Birth of a Nation," and kindred movie shows are anti-German and should be abolished in the interests of neutrality.

The Times holds no brief for the movie producers, and has not the

slightest interest in the proceeds of either the producers or the local movie shows, but we can see nothing in either of the plays, or any others of their ilk that are contrary to neutrality, save it might be the alleged neutrality of those who can see nothing good in anything that does not bear the mark "made in Germany."

The aforementioned "plays" were produced solely for money-making purposes. If they had a lesson in them it was such as could not be discerned by anybody who has a drop of American blood in his veins. The incidents in the plays, it is true, dimly suggested scenes which are alleged to have been occurred where the German armies have occupied foreign territory, but there was nothing in the uniforms, the names of the fictitious players, or the flags of the invaders that could have suggested the German navy. The soldiers of the Hunnish hordes, it is true, wore helmets, but they did not bear the familiar spikes of the "pickelhaube," nor did the arms they bore show any distinguishing mark of the Essen factories.

There is too much of this whining complaint these days to appeal to the right sentiments of true Americans. According to the demand for strict neutrality, we should have no more plays of the "Nathan Hale" type, nor should we picture forth such scenes as are shown in our current plays of the Civil War period.

Perhaps the Germans of the country would object to a play showing the Hessians sold to a British king by a Prussian prince to subjugate a free American people.

According to this authority, we must not present in any way any German atrocities, while we should be praised by the Germans for depicting the terrible slavery of the Putumayo or the beastly abuses alleged against the Belgians in the Congo Free State.

There is nothing in the plays shown calculated to charge the German people with inhumanity, while the horrible scenes depicted were intended—and with little result—to arouse the people of the United States to their defenseless condition in case of a war with a power of the first class.

That certain Germans of this country have taken to heart the atrocities pictured in the films is proof that they acknowledge the charges of their enemies that they have committed like atrocities.

The scenes in the plays quoted were entirely fictitious. That they have been accepted as charges against any nation is convincing proof that the people of that nation have a guilty conscience with regard to such vile and inhuman acts.

There are certain plays calculated to inculcate immorality, a falling regard for decency and a base indifference to the obscene and the indecent. The plays quoted do not come within this category. They are sensational, it is true, but their sensationalism is intended to arouse the people to a sense of their defenseless condition, not to a hatred of any other people or political organization.

The German people have been characterized as phlegmatic, but some of that nation are showing that they are not only thin-skinned, they are excitable and super-sensitive to criticism. If nothing else could be charged against our neutrality than the permission to produce such plays—which by the way, many thousands of Germans have attended and applauded—we should be smugly conscious of having done nothing to disturb the world's peace.

The Fatherland will have to remain clover at home and not ram so far afield for its causes for attacks on the American people.

Some people say the British "blacklist" was a great tactical blunder, while others are of the opinion that we can do nothing about it. At any rate, the blacklist is not nearly so important as the interference with our mails, and there is no international law against a boycott.

The officers and men are not to get "foreign service" pay in case of a war with Mexico. The presumed "mouthpiece of the war department" moved to strike the proposition out of the army bill, which indicates that some do not believe in extra pay for extra service.

Publishers who believe there has been an undue increase in the price of print paper are to have a chance to air their views. We see where the federal trade commission is to have a chance to hear some hot talk.

The millionaire father of the woman who was killed by her husband while riding in an automobile with an army officer is to aid the prosecution of his son-in-law, who did the killing. De mortuis nil nisi bonum, we are told, but why was a married woman riding with another woman's husband?

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To raise money for the three army hospitals at Southend, England, several star golfers played a match and then auctioned their clubs. They raised more than \$750.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO LEVYING TAX FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

(H. J. R. No. 30.) House Joint Resolution.

Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the district.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to hereafter read as follows:

SECTION 3. School Taxes.—One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes, and a poll tax of \$1.00 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year. The Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem county tax within the limits of this State not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of property situated within the county; provided, a majority of the qualified property taxpayers voting at an election to that purpose shall vote such tax, for the purpose of maintaining the public free schools of the county, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties, and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property taxpayers voting at the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax not to exceed in any one year one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such districts, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns, constituting separate and independent school districts.

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby instructed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election to be held in November, 1916, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy

## NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 24  
Dr. Carl Gregg Doney, President of Willamette University, Salem, Oregon, and widely known both as a prohibitionist and as an educator, is 49 years old today. Dr. Doney was born at Columbus, O., July 24, 1867, and educated at Ohio State University, where he successively took degrees in science, law and philosophy. He later continued his philosophical studies at Harvard University, and in 1893 entered the Methodist Episcopal ministry. After filling with success various pastorates, he turned his attention to religious education, and became president of the West Virginia Wesleyan College, filling the post for eight years. He was called in 1915 to the presidency of Willamette University. Dr. Doney has been active in the Anti-Saloon League, and was for some time president of the District of Columbia branch of the organization. He is the author of religious books, much appreciated in Methodist church circles.

of ad valorem school taxes not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district." And those opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes, not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county, and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district."

SEC. 2. The sum of \$5,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary therefor, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

[NOTE.—H. J. R. No. 30 was adopted by the House March 6, yeas 104, nays 12. Was adopted by the Senate, with amendments, March 19, yeas 25, nays 2. House concurred in Senate amendments March 19, yeas 78, nays 19, present and not voting 1.]  
Approved April 1, 1915.  
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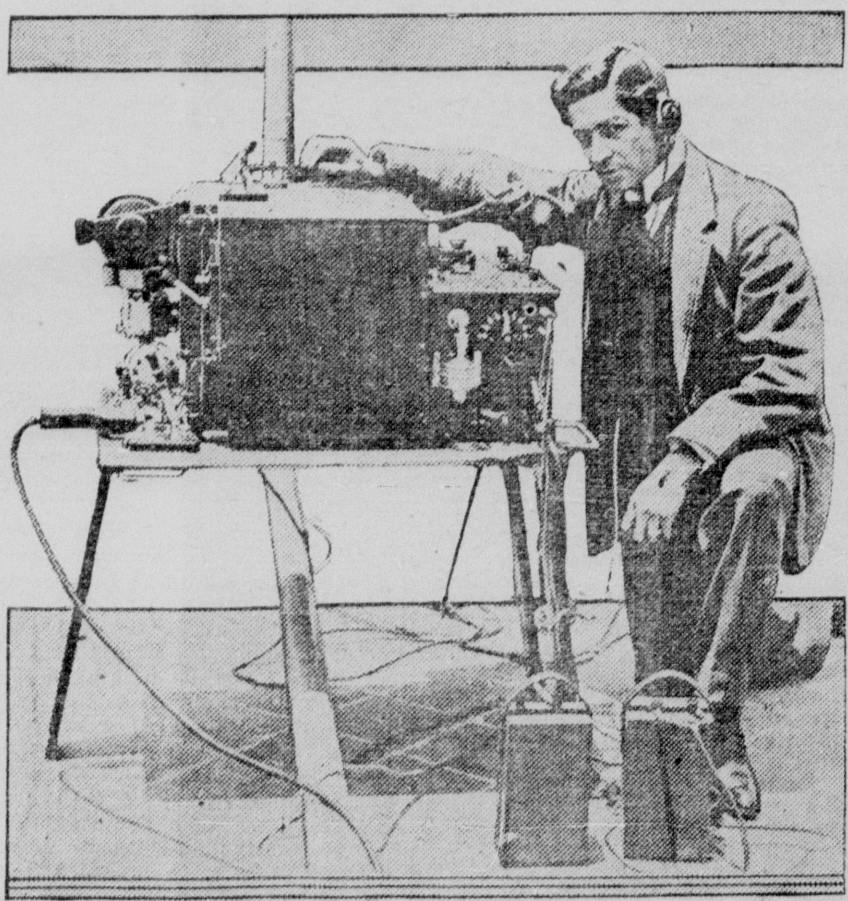
JOHN G. MCKAY,  
Secretary of State.

## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 24  
1621—First written constitution granted to Virginia.  
1759—Battle of Niagara, the English defeating the French and Indians and cutting off all communication between Canada and Louisiana, the two most important French settlements on American soil.  
1847—Great Salt Lake Valley in Utah entered by Brigham Young and his Mormon followers, and Salt Lake City founded and the Stars and Stripes hoisted on territory then under Spanish rule, and now claimed by the pioneers in the name of the United States.  
1862—Martin Van Buren, 8th President of the United States, died, aged 80.  
1903—William H. Taft became Secretary of War.  
1908—Marathon race at Olympian Games won by American athlete, Hayes, Turkish Constitution restored by Sultan.  
1912—Devastating earthquake in Peru.  
1914—Opening of new port and maritime canal at Brussels, with elaborate festivities attended by foreign representatives.  
1914—See Bryan's "breathing spell" treaties, agreeing upon a year's arbitration before declaring war, signed at Washington by Argentina, Brazil and Chile.  
1915—Excursion Steamer Eastland upset in Chicago River with 2100 on board; 852 lives lost.  
1915—THE WAR:  
Russians halt Teutons before Warsaw, except to north, where a big force has crossed the Narew and is sweeping toward the Bug. French capture powerfully fortified German position at Ban-de-Sapt, together with 825 prisoners. Action developing favorably for Italians on Carso Plateau. Italian forces also repulse Austrians attacks at Somdogna Pass in Carnia, and in Monte Nero region.

Constipation and Indigestion.—  
"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere.

## MEXICANS USE AMERICAN WIRELESS



One of the five American "de Forest" portable wireless outfits being used by the Mexican government. The photograph shows a Mexican operating the machine. The apparatus can be put together or demounted in a few minutes.

## LESS THAN 500 VOTES CAST IN PRIMARIES ON SATURDAY

FROM RETURNS RECEIVED WEBB COUNTY WAS ON LOSING SIDE

As Voters Lost on Submission, Culberson, Woods, Byrne, and Robertson Law; Returns Given.

In the primary election held in Laredo and Webb county on Saturday the Democratic voters participating did not turn out in as strong force as they should, when the fact is considered that most of the candidates for state offices had opponents and the submission question was also up to the voters to make an expression on. In the four wards of the city of Laredo a decidedly small vote was cast, totaling 350, while about 140 more votes were polled in the precincts outside the city of Laredo, although two outside precincts did not open for business because of the lack of interest in those sections in the Democratic primaries, one of these being precinct No. 5, North Laredo.

As was to be expected, Laredo and Webb county gave a big majority against the submission proposition, while majorities were also given for Culberson, Phillips, Yantis, Ferguson, Woods, Mayfield, Edwards, Harper, Robinson, Davis, Terrell, Byrne and McEmore, against the Robertson law and Walter Woodul for the legislature. From returns received from over the state Webb county Democrats were in some instances on the winning side.

All the county officers were re-elected, or rather renominated, but the result of the primaries Saturday are equivalent to election. The returns of Webb county as pertains to the vote cast for the amendment propositions, state and district officers, shows as follows:

Submission Amendment:  
For ..... 20  
Against ..... 467  
United States Senator:  
Brooks ..... 3  
Campbell ..... 10  
Colquitt ..... 5  
Culberson ..... 464  
Henry ..... 3  
Davis ..... 0  
Riddle ..... 0  
Chief Justice:  
Jenkins ..... 18  
Phillips ..... 468  
Associate Justice:  
Hall ..... 13  
Yantis ..... 470  
Governor:  
Ferguson ..... 469  
Marshall ..... 0  
Morris ..... 3  
Attorney-General:  
Looney ..... 25  
Rowland ..... 2  
Woods ..... 470  
Railroad Commissioner:  
Daniel ..... 4  
Mayfield ..... 470  
Robinson ..... 8  
State Treasurer:  
Baker ..... 11  
Edwards ..... 470  
Mumford ..... 1  
Judge Criminal Appeals:  
Harper ..... 467  
Morrow ..... 16  
Land Commissioner:  
Robinson ..... 482  
Commissioner Agriculture:  
Davis ..... 462  
Halbert ..... 14  
Comptroller:  
Terrell ..... 360  
White ..... 13  
Congressmen-at-large:  
Byrne ..... 443  
Colley ..... 0  
Cox ..... 0  
Darwin ..... 2  
Davis ..... 6  
Firman ..... 0  
Fitzgerald ..... 4  
Garrett ..... 12  
Harrington ..... 0  
Lackland ..... 0  
McEmore ..... 435  
Paddleford ..... 5  
Porter ..... 2  
Robertson Law:  
For ..... 16  
Against ..... 464  
Congress 15th District:  
Garner ..... 488  
Judge Civ. Ap. 4th Dist:  
Moursund ..... 453  
Swearingen ..... 446  
Representative 79th District:  
Woodul ..... 479  
George ..... 1  
Note:—Official figures will reduce the above list about 3 or four votes for candidates receiving majorities. Returns received from over the state so far indicate that the submissionists have won out and that the Robertson law will remain as it was, the supporters of the Gibson bill losing the fight.

A LAREDO WOMAN COMES TO THE FRONT.  
Every Laredo resident should read what a neighbor says. Her testimony can be believed upon. Here are her own words:  
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## LITTLE LOCALS

—Advices received from Corpus Christi, where an interesting time was had in the Democratic primaries in Nueces county Saturday state that Frank Robinson for sheriff and R. O. Cook for district clerk won over their opponents. Mr. Cook was district clerk for many years, but was defeated two years ago, while Mr. Robinson succeeds Mike Wright, who was not a candidate.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—As a result of the Democratic primaries here Saturday there will be no changes in the official "county family," for all have served their constituency well the past two years and were returned to their offices without opposition and by big votes.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-25-tf.

—"Oh, mamma, the soldiers are eating grass; I saw them in the plaza just now with their heads stuck into the ground like ostriches," said a little girl who observed a number of militiamen in the Jarvis Plaza yesterday afternoon, some of them lying on the grass writing, others reading and still others lying on their stomachs snoozing. The latter ones are the soldiers referred to by the little girl.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf (Adv.)

—The huge date palm in Jarvis Plaza with its prodigious growth of golden fruit is the source of attraction not only to the eight or nine thousand militiamen here, but to everybody who passes that way. Professor Malby, the agricultural expert, says it is one of the heaviest-bearing date palms in the United States. Many kodak views of the palm are taken almost daily.

—A letter received from Alice, Texas, announces the arrival there on Saturday, to Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Leyendecker, of a bouncing baby boy. Mother and child are doing well in Alice, while "Grandpa" B. J. Leyendecker in Laredo is strutting about with his face covered with smiles.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf. (Adv.)

—The soldier service at Christ Church last evening was one of the biggest services ever held in a church in Laredo. The building was crowded to the doors, and the soldiers took a hearty part in the services. Chaplain Molony of the Fourth Infantry delivered a strong sermon and Chaplain Wood of the Ninth Infantry and Rector Chas. W. Cook assisted in the services, while Will W. Gregg presided at the organ.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

—Tomorrow being the feast of St. James, Holy Communion will be celebrated at Christ Church at 7:30 a. m. —The churches of the city were again crowded with soldiers yesterday, many of the visiting militiamen attending one Catholic church and being compelled to stand during the mass services and sermon.

—According to reports in circulation here, Laredo architects are making plans for some fine business houses which will be in course of erection within the next three months. And some of them are within 100 feet of each other right in the center of the business district of the city.

Look Good—Feel Good.  
Not one can either feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, draggy, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box to-day, take one or two pills to-night. In the morning that stuffy, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c. at your druggist.

"From Envy, Hatred and Malice."  
We hate to disclose a mean, contemptible spirit about it, but we are not entirely miserable because those of the boys who have taken their vacations have returned worse fagged out than we who stand on the firing line blazing away at the devil and all his works in the ranks of the terrible republican party.—Houston Post.

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From Tuesday's Daily.

#### NEEDS HOME TALENT.

According to a letter purporting to have been written by John Lind to former Secretary Bryan, which has fallen into the hands of the Felicista party in Mexico and which is soon to be published in an official document by that party, the reasons for our government first supporting Villa and then Carranza and the revolutionaries generally were based upon Mr. Lind's reports and his recommendations.

Mr. Lind recommended urgently that the "housecleaning" in Mexico be done by home talent. He said: "To make a dog feel that he really is a cur he must be whipped by another dog and preferably by a cur. It will be a little rough and we must see to it that the walls are left intact, but I should not worry if some of the verandas and French windows were demolished."

Mr. Lind's strongest recommendation was that the City of Mexico be humiliated. He said of that city: "It has been the seat and the home of all the intrigue and all the corruption from which the country has suffered, and it is, in the concentration of its wealth, in its arrogance, in its morals' social and political, as degraded as and capital city in the world."

This may also be true of other parts of Mexico, but the cynical difference with Mr. Lind views the suffering of the lower class Mexicans in order that some of the arrogant, corrupt and immoral Mexicans of the capital city may be punished is truly Machiavellian in its nature.

Policy may dictate the punishment of those who profited by the impoverishment of the peones, but it is a cruel and diabolical policy which recommends that the "housecleaning" be done by home talent. In order that—presumably—we may profit by that housecleaning.

There is something more than a mere housecleaning needed in Mexico. So far the cleaning has been done by those anxious, in some cases, to avenge wrongs, and in others to get rich from the downfall of those who have riches. It has not in any sense been a housecleaning from the standpoint of improving conditions.

If the rich were immoral and corrupt in past times, the poor are more immoral and corrupt; while the rich might have oppressed the poor, they do not so out at night and shoot them from ambush, nor did they burn their houses after stealing all they had.

Bad as was the condition of the poor under past administrations in Mexico, it is so immeasurably worse today that those who have not enriched themselves by looting would eagerly welcome a return of the old regime.

If this is the sort of "housecleaning" to which Mr. Lind refers, then it is time that some outsider were brought in to clean up after those who have made such a mess of it.

It is hard to believe that Mr. Wilson was merely playing Villa and Carranza against each other in an effort to have one exterminate the other. Does not square itself with Mr. Wilson's repeated utterances in regard to our duty to humanity and to ourselves.

Mr. Lind's alternative policy in case the recommended one were not adopted was to have us take military possession of Mexico and administer its affairs substantially as was done in Cuba, but he did not recommend this alternative. He thought the country should maintain the dignity and responsibility of a self-governing nation. Just where he believed the government was to come from is not clear.

In the last analysis, the Mexican problem resolves itself into the one question: Shall we, for our own sake as well as for the sake of the suffering millions of that country, take military possession and govern it until the Mexicans shall be able to form their own government and so conduct it that they shall not be a menace to us nor a destructive force for their own people?

Mr. Lind has never impressed anyone as being a man with a perfect knowledge of Mexican affairs. He now impresses everyone, if he really wrote the foregoing letter, as being a man indifferent to suffering and anxious only to avoid for his own government a momentary perplexity.

#### EXTENDING THE TIME.

State Land Commissioner J. T. Robinson shows himself to be considerate and well-disposed toward the people of Webb and other counties who have suffered from the long-continued drought and have generously extended the time for all purchasers of state lands for the payment of their interest which became due in November past.

Mr. Robinson says that he realizes the drought has resulted in a great loss of stock, and he believes the people who have suffered great financial loss should be given more time in which to pay their indebtedness to the state.

Rather than have the people believe, however, that he was actuated by political motives in making this announcement, he did not make his intention public until the election was over. This indicates the honesty of Mr. Robinson's purpose, as well as his knowledge of the sort of politics that are played by some.

The state lands are the property of the people. A slight delay in the collection of the interest due will work no hardship to the people, while the extension of time will enable some of the purchasers to get even on their losses.

The extended dry spell has played havoc with a majority of the stock raisers. They have seen hundreds of head die for lack of water and grass, while those that remained were so lean that they had to be sold at a considerable depreciation. Many of the stock raisers were forced to put their cattle on the market in poor condition rather than see them starve to death. Some have been forced to pay a high price for pasture to save their herds.

It is rare to find such a consideration on the part of a public official. The fact that Mr. Robinson was elected despite his refusal to play politics detracts nothing from the goodness of his act, and there are many who will recognize the fact that his friendly act was not dictated by his hope of retaining the office.

The recent rains have replenished the tanks and have caused the grass to grow luxuriantly. The landowners who depend upon stock raising for a living will soon be again in a position to meet all their just obligations to the state, as well as to private debtors. It is beyond a doubt that they will be able to pay, not only their past obligations, but the new ones as well.

There are many sections of Texas in which state lands are still for sale. Many of these lands, without means of irrigation, are suitable only for cattle or horse raising. In time of drought the purchasers find themselves hard pressed to make a living without meeting their interest payments on the land purchases. Their only security as a rule is the stock which they own, and when this stock is depreciated in value because of lack of water they find it hard to secure a loan.

The banks are always disposed to help in every possible way an honest person. But they are debarred by law from making a loan without good and sufficient security. Hence at times it may happen that a man who is in every way honest and industrious may find himself unable to meet his interest payments to the state.

Hence the act of Commissioner Robinson is a commendable one. He realizes that these land purchasers, if given time, will meet every obligation to the state, as well as to their other creditors, and he so interprets his authority as to give them a chance.

It is rare that we have two successive seasons of drought. The rains we have had during the past few weeks have given new life to the cattle ranges. With plenty of water and grass the stock raisers cannot fail to prosper, and with their prosperity comes the fulfillment of every obligation.

Webb county has reason to feel grateful to Mr. Robinson for his kind act, which was dictated solely by a desire to give every debtor of the state a chance.

With the thirtieth birthday of the Eagle Pass News-Guide Editor Boehmer began the publication of a daily, for which The Times wishes much success. In fact, all the success it deserves, which is a great deal. It's too bad Joe will be unable in future to take any notice of the prevailing styles on the sidewalks of Eagle Pass; he will be too busy inside.

The authorities in Washington seem to be laboring under the mistaken notion that our water supply needs improving. If they had as good water to drink in the National Capital as Laredo has, there would not be so great a necessity for the campaign against the Rum Demon by country constituents.

The Indiana poet, James Whitcomb Riley, is no more. Those who have been cheered by his homely philosophy and charmed by his faith in all that is good will drop a sorrowing tear. And the children will miss him most of all.

#### THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 25.

1722—New England declared war against the Indians. Small pox at that time was devastating both American colonists and their enemies.

1724—A violent persecution of the Protestants begun in France.

1793—Battle of Aboukir, with disastrous defeat of the Turks, Arabs and Mamelukes, by the French under Bonaparte.

1814—Americans defeated the English at Lundy's Lane.

1840—Officers of American exploring expedition to Fiji Islands massacred by natives.

1863—Jefferson Davis appointed August 11 as a day of fasting and prayer on account of the late reverses of the Confederate arms.

1865—Territory of Wyoming formed from strips of Dakota, Utah and Idaho.

1894—War declared between China and Japan.

1898—United States Army under Gen. Miles landed at Guanica, Porto Rico, which surrendered. The surrender of Ponce followed on July 28.

1904—Russians defeated at Tashih-Chiao by Japanese.

1907—Japanese assumed control of Korea.

1912—Chinese rebels were repulsed with loss in a night attack on Shanghai.

1915—THE WAR: Serbia concedes all of Austria's demands save that of Austrian participation in the investigation of the murder of Archduke Ferdinand at Sarajevo. Serbian reply considered unsatisfactory by Austria, and Austrian ambassador leaves Belgrade; first open rupture of the Great War.

1914—THE WAR: American steamer Leelanaw sunk by a German submarine off the coast of Scotland; crew saved. British take town of Mesriyeh on the Euphrates, after shelling by gunboat, the Turk evacuating and retreating to the north. Austrians gain important strategic position south of Sokai, in Galicia. Further successful advance in Poland reported by the Germans.

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#### NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 25.

Queen Elizabeth of Belgium, one of the most appealing figures of the Great War, is 40 years old today. She and King Albert her consort, king and queen without a kingdom, have for their dignity and courage in the face of overwhelming misfortune enlisted the sympathies of the world as have no other royal personages in modern times. Queen Elizabeth's case is especially pathetic, as she was born a German princess, daughter of Duke Theodore of Bavaria, and the despoilers of her rights and ravagers of her country are her own people. Her cousin, Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, commands one of the German armies which invaded France and Belgium, and the Crown Prince of Germany was one of her playmates when she was a little girl. Queen Elizabeth's fortitude and devotion to Belgium's cause and her brave little army since the beginning of the war have excited enthusiastic admiration, and she has become a world heroine. She has insisted upon remaining near the King at the front, where he commands his heroic little army on the little strip of land in Flanders which is still Belgium, and her activities for

the soldiers and for her stricken people in general have been endless. America's help and generosity have deeply stirred her heart, and she has often expressed for American women feelings of the warmest affection. The Queen is still a beautiful woman, slender and elegant. She was married at 22 to Albert, then heir to the throne, who succeeded King Leopold in 1909. She was always of a serious and scholarly turn of mind, and soon became known as a patron of science, literature and art, while her simplicity and kindness enlisted the affection of the mass of the Belgian people. The royal couple have three children, the eldest of whom, Prince Leopold, heir to the throne, is at the front with his father.

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#### VALUES SHOW BIG INCREASE DESPITE MEXICAN TROUBLE

COUNTY VALUES INCREASE A QUARTER OF A MILLION.

And in the List the Big Showing is Attributed to Laredo's Prosperity and General Building Up.

As an evidence of the fact that Laredo and Webb county have experienced a steady and prosperous growth during the past year there is no better criterion than the assessed property valuations shown rendered by the tax rolls of the county tax assessor. The building activity that has characterized the progressiveness of Laredo during the past year has tended to stimulate property values in the county and also increase the value of property in all parts of the county of Laredo.

Most of the increase in valuations shown on the rendered tax rolls of the county assessor is attributed to the prosperity of Laredo, although some of the small towns of the county have materially increased their taxable valuations through improvements made the past year.

Last year the total city and county valuations of property amounted to \$6,680,409, while this year it aggregates a total of \$7,027,505, or an increase of \$347,105. To be added to these totals are the intangible values of 1915 amounting to \$1,816,205, which brings the grand total for last year up to \$8,496,605, while to the total city and county valuations of this year are to be added intangible values aggregating \$1,677,410, making the grand total of all values of the city and county and intangibles aggregate \$8,704,915, or an increase in values for 1916 over 1915 of a total of \$208,310.

Despite the fact that Laredo is immediately located on the Texas border and it was generally expected that the Mexican trouble would conduce to holding down realty deals and construction, nevertheless the increase in valuations this year over last year is almost a quarter of a million dollars, which is considered an excellent criterion of the general prosperity of Laredo and Webb county under rather adverse circumstances.

#### MAY HEAD "SNOOZERS CLUB"

Missouri Soldier Who Sleeps Day and Night, Having "Sleeping Ailment," Beats All Laredo Siesta Takers.

There is one young man in the Missouri camp who is certainly not afflicted with insomnia and is now fully acclimated to Laredo and contracted a "siesta" habit that surpasses the prevalent custom here by some degrees. And it is all due to an attack of nostalgia which he is suffering because he has not heard from the folks back home. "The letter that never came" seems to have given him a lethargic spell that is protracted—he has the "sleeping ailment" and has been asleep almost constantly since Saturday afternoon; so say his companions.

The man reported thus suffering from a nervous spell that produces the "sleeping ailment" is said to be Private George W. Regans of Co. B, Second Missouri Regiment, whose home is in Carthage, Mo. Regans became despondent on Saturday because a letter which he was expecting failed to materialize, so he lay down and went to sleep. Some of his comrades thought it was just a "siesta" and that he would be alright in a little while.

But Saturday night came and still he snoozed. He slept throughout Saturday night and Sunday, awoke at intervals on Sunday night and then went back to the arms of Morpheus. Sometimes, say some of the boys, he "sleeps with one eye open" and snores through only one of the nasal apertures, while at other times he snores in unison through both nasal openings. But now he is said to be coming out of the protracted sleep.

It is very probable that if Regans wants the honor he can be elected head of the Laredo Siesta Club, which is composed of both sexes, but he is "par excellence" as a snoozer and there would be no disputing his title to be "chief snoozer" of the club. He's got the habit alright.

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#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROOM.

On Account of so Many Catholic Gentlemen Being at Camp Missouri Special Room to Be Provided Them.

In the ranks and on the official staff of the Missouri National Guard encamped in this city there are many Knights of Columbus and Catholic Knights of America, in fact a great per cent of the soldier boys are Roman Catholic, and with them are hundreds of Knights of Columbus, represented both by officers and by enlisted men.

The Knights of Columbus, the strongest Roman Catholic fraternal order in the world, is composed of representative Catholic gentlemen. Here in Camp Missouri the men are to be kept together in their associations and to that end a recreation and reading room is to be erected on the grounds immediately, to be located near the brigade headquarters.

Special Supreme Agent W. J. Moriarty of Washington, D. C., and Joseph J. Jorgens of Laredo, members of the K. of C., yesterday closed arrangements for the erection and equipment of the recreation and reading room and it will be erected immediately. It will be 24 feet wide by 48 feet long.

Look Good—Feel Good. No one can either feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, draggy, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box today, take one or two pills tonight. In the morning that stuffed, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c. at your druggist.

#### MISSOURI SIGNAL COMPANY GOES TO FORT SAM HOUSTON

WITH OTHER MILITIA ORGANIZATIONS TO TAKE INSTRUCTIONS

And Work Hand in Hand With the Regulars, So That Work of Two Conform and Efficiency Attained.

Company A, Signal Corps, Missouri National Guard, from Kansas City, Mo., Captain Ruby D. Garrett commanding, left today for San Antonio, where they will go into camp at Fort Sam Houston with other militia signal corps organizations which will come from all points along the border and go under instruction there with the regular army signal organizations.

The proposition is to get all the militia signal corps instructed in and aligned on the signal work and to study out regulations conforming to the work of the corps in the field so that they make all become efficient and work in unison and fully comprehensive to each other should occasion arise to work present militia signal corps in conjunction with the regular army organizations.

The Kansas City company is efficient in its work and has attended numerous camps of instruction in Missouri, but it is to make the men efficient in every way and that their work conform with that of the regular army men that the war department and General Funston has ordered that all militia signal corps companies be assembled at Fort Sam Houston at once so that instruction and work together be taken up as soon as possible.



## LITTLE LOCALS

—Mrs. Maria Stroud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruni of this city is now making her home at Hebronville, where she has taken the management of the City Hotel, one of the leading hostilities of that town. Mrs. Stroud hopes that all her Laredo friends, who happen to go to Hebronville will stop at her hotel and she assures them a nice cool and clean room, good table and every courtesy.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—The soldier boys at Camp Missouri are preparing for the publication of a weekly camp newspaper to be called the "Sentinel." The paper will be edited, composed and published by practical newspapermen and printers among the Missouri soldiery and will start out with a liberal patronage from the business men of Laredo.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-25-tf.

—It is reported that within a few days several thousand more militiamen will be sent to Laredo, these including some who are now stationed in Fort Sam Houston. The new camp on the Heights, which has been put in readiness for use by soldiery, will, it is said, be used for a campsite by the next arrivals.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf (Adv.)

—The importations through this port today from Mexico consisted of three carloads of ixite and one carload of hides. Yesterday there were about two trainloads of calamine entered through this port from Mexico.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf. (Adv.)

—Quite a number of improvements are being made at the Maine and Missouri Camps and the militia boys are fixing up things so that they will conform to home life. And now that they have become acclimated and are fattening on Rio Grande water, many of the boys assert that "Laredo is not so bad a place after all."

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-5-tf.

—An addition is being made to the International Garage on Farragut street. Additions and improvements generally are the order of the day in Laredo.

## Why Endure Summer Colds?

It isn't necessary to have a stuffed head, running nose. To cough your head off as it were. All you need do is to use Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. The soothing and healing balsams open the clogged air passages and in a short time you get relief and start on the road to recovery. Your nose stops running, you cough less and you know you are getting better. Get a bottle, use as directed. Keep what is left as a cough and cold insurance.

## Buy It at Home.

It has come to our notice that even business men will send out of town for goods not kept in their own stores—and for them criticism could not be severe enough were it not for the fact that orders are sent out unconsciously, supposing that the one order is not perceptible. The one order may not be, but the aggregate of all the orders is nearly equal to one-third of all the goods sold in Yoakum.—Yoakum Herald.

Th Augusta team, which finished at the top in the first half of the South Atlantic league season, is making a strong bid for second half honors. Unless the Georgians are stopped pretty soon there will be no post-season series in the Saly circuit. Without the services of dependable heavies, "Iron Man" Joe McGinley has had to jump in and pitch over time in order to keep his Butte team up in the Northwestern league race.

## GOOD RAINS ON TEXAS-MEXICAN

Places Along the Line Were "Soaked" Yesterday, While in Some Instances Rain Skipped Others.

Around Realitos, and covering a stretch of territory about three or four miles wide, a regular deluge of rain fell yesterday afternoon, while there were good rains closer to Laredo at Bruni and again at Pescadito. There was also a nice shower at the target range to within four miles of Laredo, but the real heavy rain was at and around Realitos.

While the rain yesterday was in spots, nevertheless all the country between Laredo and Corpus Christi has been thoroughly soaked within the past ten days and the recuperative qualities of the ranges are already manifesting themselves and soon cattle will be in a thriving condition.

## DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Democrats of Webb County Will Assemble in County Convention Saturday Night; a List of Delegates.

For the information of many of those who are not aware of the fact of their selection as delegates from their precinct to the Webb County Democratic convention to be held at the county court house in this city on Saturday evening, July 29, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, the Times herewith publishes a partial list of the delegates, others not being obtainable at this time. The delegates are as follows:

Precinct No. 1—A. J. Condren, Francisco Sanchez Garza, John Maher, C. R. Molina, M. G. Benavides, Eugene Christen, J. R. Moore, W. T. Hill, Pedro Sanchez, Julian Slaughter.

Precinct No. 2—A. M. Bruni, O. J. Cook, A. H. Dodder, Cristobal Farias, H. Ligarde, D. C. de Lachica, E. E. Ochoa, E. B. Ochoa, Geo. R. Page, Miguel Peña, J. A. Rodriguez, Emeterio Mendoza, G. R. Jimenez, Wm. Henry.

Precinct No. 3—C. F. Claflin, C. M. de la Garza, J. T. Harrison, B. J. Leyendecker, J. P. Leyendecker, Joe Moser, Robt. C. Muller, Jos. Netzer, John A. Valls, H. P. Valdez, J. S. Westbrook, H. W. Greer, J. M. Martin, S. A. Westbrook, Pat Villareal, Leopoldo Villegas.

Precinct No. 4—C. C. Biggio, Robt. McComb, J. J. Czar, P. P. Leyendecker, T. C. Mann, C. H. Stowers, J. N. Worsham, A. V. Woodman, L. J. Christen.

Precinct No. 8—Jose Jamora, Humberto Rodriguez.

Precinct No. 10—M. H. Rodriguez, A. M. Bruni.

Precinct No. 12—J. S. Johnston.

## A Hacking Cough Weakens The System.

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## DISASTROUS TRAIN WRECK.

Entire Train Was Derailed, Resulting in the Death of Engineer, Maiming of Fireman; Passengers Injured.

According to advices received in Nuevo Laredo this morning, a disastrous train wreck occurred yesterday afternoon between Morales and Salinas on the National Lines of Mexico, when the passenger train northbound went into the ditch, killing the engineer outright, cutting both legs off the fireman and causing the injury of twenty or more passengers.

According to the report received in Nuevo Laredo, the injured have been taken to Salinas for treatment, and may be removed to Monterey, while the dead engineer was sent to his home at Saltillo.

**Biliousness and Stomach Trouble.** "Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach troubles and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbryske, Lima, Ohio. "I could eat very little food that agreed with me and I became so dizzy and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly." Obtainable everywhere.

## MUCH LEGAL TALENT ENGAGED.

Notable Suit of Thomas O'Connor vs. Dario Sanchez Again on Trial Here and Many Lawyers in It.

The now notable case of Thomas O'Connor vs. Dario Sanchez, a trespass to try title suit to a large tract of land near Palafex, and in which there are numerous parties interested, was called in the district court again this morning before Special Judge Ed. H. Weeks. This case has been in the courts since 1903 and was on trial at the last term of court.

Nearly every attorney in Laredo has a part to play in the trial of this case, while there are also attorneys here from Corpus Christi, San Antonio and other places, all representing some of the interested claimants.

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## SOCIETY

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## SOCIAL CALENDAR.

## Wednesday.

Red Cross Class in First Aid met this morning at nine o'clock at Elks Hall.  
 Mrs. M. T. Cogley was hostess to the Nullos Club at half after nine o'clock in the morning.

## Thursday.

The Thursday Sewing Club will meet with Mrs. Yesner at four o'clock in the afternoon.

## Tender-Sweet.

If you use a little laughter and you use a little song,  
 You will find your world is never gonna go so very wrong;  
 If you spread a little kindness on the other man's distress,  
 If you use a little sweetness and a little tenderness,  
 If you stoop sometimes to sort of lift another fellow's load,  
 You will find that all of these things you have found the time to do  
 In some happy form or other will come laughin' back at you.  
 That's a pretty good religion, that's the kind the master tried,  
 He just chose a way of kindness and of sweetness, and he died  
 Hanging on the rough spikes piercing through his tender hands and feet,  
 And through all that he had suffered still his smile was tender-sweet;  
 And the way his hurt feet walked in is an open way to you,  
 But no spikes await you in it; and each kindly thing you do  
 To the fellows all about you in the way you go along,  
 Will come back to you in laughin' and in lovin' and in song.

—Judd Mortimer Lewis, on Houston Post.

## General Mention.

Miss Lillian Irwin returned yesterday from a pleasant stay in Corpus Christi.

Miss Elizabeth Merriman, who is spending the summer at Mesilla Park, New Mexico, writes that she is having a splendid time.

Miss Ruth Scratchley will leave Thursday night for San Marcos to join Mrs. Eula Ward in a camping party at Wimberly. Miss Scratchley will visit different points in the state before returning to Laredo.

Mrs. Fred Werner will accompany Miss Miriam as far as San Antonio Thursday night and will remain a short time.

Mr. John Loftus came in from Dolores yesterday and will remain for several days.

Mrs. E. F. Wager returned home yesterday morning.

Mrs. John B. Morton and little daughter, Dorothy, returned home yesterday from a few weeks visit to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Justo S. Penn and children returned home yesterday from a short visit to Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Burr and children returned home yesterday from a few weeks visit to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. J. P. Leyendecker and children returned home yesterday from a visit to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. E. E. Sharkey and daughter, Miss Vera returned home yesterday from a visit to Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Herrera and children returned home yesterday from a visit to Corpus Christi.

Miss Emma Wright returned home yesterday from a visit to relatives and friends at Benavides.

Alfred Murphy of Brownsville arrived in the city yesterday for a short business visit.

Hon. and Mrs. Marshall Hicks of San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and have apartments at the Hamilton. Mr. Hicks is attending the district court, while Mrs. Hicks is visiting friends for a few days.

## Red Cross Notes.

The young ladies of Laredo, Mexicans as well as Americans, are requested to meet at Elks Hall tomorrow morning at ten o'clock to plan for a "Jamaica" which is to be given at a date to be announced later for the benefit of the Red Cross. All are

## PERSONALS

BENDER:—J. F. Durham, G. W. Thompson, Tampico; Thos. Guthen, Edward Arnold, A. Stern, San Antonio; Wm. Blenke, Cincinnati, O.; Geo. S. James, San Antonio; J. Donnell, Austin; F. M. Huggins, Meridian, Id.; Y. Garza Sada, Monterey; W. Favish, San Antonio; Geo. S. Halley, New York; E. Robinson, San Antonio; J. S. Daugherty, Houston; D. J. Moran, Wm. Subrey, J. E. O'Neil, San Antonio; Amorle Frach, Chicago.

## LITERAL-MINDED MAID.

The favored suitor rang the doorbell. "Is Miss Blank at home?" he inquired.

"Oh, yes, sir," replied the maid, and she ushered him into the drawing room.

Having waited for almost an hour he summoned the maid again.

"Did you forget to tell Miss Blank that I was here?" he asked impatiently.

"No sir," was the reply. "Miss Blank hasn't got back from shopping yet."

"But you said she was at home."

"Yes, sir. She told me positively that she was always at home to you, sir."

urgently invited to aid in this work, particularly the Mexican young ladies, without whose efficient work any entertainment of this nature would be less successful.

## Comfort Bags for Milmo Rifles.

It seems as though everybody has been most generous in giving towards the different calls that have been made as regards the entertainment of the Guardsmen who recently arrived in Laredo, and also for the hospital equipment for the sick soldiers. There is now a plea from the "well soldiers" for some comfort bags. The bags are most acceptable and can be made of cretonne and filled with an assortment of useful articles, and they would be much appreciated by the recipients. Some of the Guardsmen have been heard to say that they would give their kingdom—not for a horse, but a jar of cold cream or mentholatum. The fact that citizens take such a practical interest in the welfare of our soldiers has made a marked impression upon the latter, and has promoted contentment and efficiency in the military service. All who feel as if they could or will contribute to this fund for the comfort bags can do so either by leaving their contributions at The Times office or by turning them in to any one of the chairmen of the various branches of the Red Cross. Any donations will be acceptable. "Large oaks from little acorns grow," and a few cents given in this way will bring cheer to some lonesome soldier. The roster of the Milmo Rifles will be used so that each man from Laredo gets a bag.

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## By Associated Press.

The British have won the village of Pozieres after a several days' struggle, ondon says. It also reports the capture from the Germans of two small trenches on either side of the village. The Russian drive in Turkish Armenia resulted in the evacuation of the fortress of Erzincan by the Turks, Petrograd claims. The Turks are said to be retiring in disorder, leaving the guns and ammunition. Sivas, 130 miles west of Erzincan, will be the new base, military observers believe.

## Claim Number Exaggerated.

London, July 26.—A statement issued by the Austro-Hungarian general staff says that only 100,000 soldiers were taken prisoners by the Russians during the present offensive, according to a Buda-Pest despatch. The state brands as untrue the claim of the Russians that they took 266,000, declaring that there were less than that number who participated on the front where the captures occurred.

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## By Associated Press.

Washington, July 26.—Developments in diplomatic discussions with the de facto government have been at a standstill for five days awaiting Carranza's reply to the suggestions transmitted through Arredondo. It was announced today. The delay is believed to mean that Carranza has encountered some difficulty in deciding upon the scope of the proposed commission's discussions.

## More Pay for Soldiers.

Washington, July 26.—An amendment to the army appropriation bill providing that Guardsmen and regulars serving on the border receive additional foreign duty pay although on duty on American soil was adopted by the senate today.

## Are Not Here for Drill.

Washington, July 26.—The Guard is being kept on the border to protect the country and not for drill, President Wilson wrote to an Indiana woman who complained that her son was being detained on the border.

## SPAIN IS VISITED BY BIG HURRICANE

## ELEVEN VICTIMS ALREADY RECOVERED AND EXTENT OF CASUALTIES IS NOT YET KNOWN.

## By Associated Press.

Madrid, Spain, July 26.—A hurricane is ravaging the provinces of Zaragoza, Soria, Valladolid, Leon and Oporto. The village of Torreon is in ruins. The bodies of eleven victims have been recovered. The total casualties are unknown.

## ROAD MONEY FOR TEXAS.

Washington, July 26.—The Southern states have been allotted \$850,000 of the \$5,000,000 federal road fund for the fiscal year under the federal road act, the department of agriculture announced today. Texas gets the largest state sum, \$291,927.

## STRIKE IS FORECASTED.

## By Associated Press.

Chicago, July 26.—Railroad brotherhood officials are completing the count of the vote which confidential reports from all over the country say will empower the leaders of four trainmen brotherhoods to call a strike. Engineers, firemen, trainmen and conductors are involved.

## READY FOR LAND DRAWING

Spokane, Wash., July 26.—Thousands of home-seekers are on the tip-toe of expectation today, for within another twenty-four hours they will learn their luck in the matter of securing a desirable homestead in the Colville reservation, recently declared open to settlement. John McPhaul, superintendent of the opening and sale of the reservation lands, has completed all arrangements for the great drawing, which will commence here tomorrow. Cards containing the names of more than 20,000 men and women who filed at the five registration points, have been placed in sealed cans are now in the custody of Superintendent McPhaul. Tomorrow morning the cans will be publicly opened and the drawing will commence. The person whose name is first drawn will be given first choice in the selection of a homestead. The drawing will continue until all the parcels of land have been allotted.

## Taking Big Chances.

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.

For Neat and Accurate Job Work ring up 43.

## RESCUE PARTIES IN SEARCH FOR BODIES

## BELIEVED THAT ONLY ELEVEN BODIES REMAIN IN WATER.

## WORKS TUNNEL UNDER LAKE ERIE.

## By Associated Press.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 26.—Rescue forces today are attempting to penetrate waterworks crib No. 5 in Lake Erie where the bodies of the unrecovered dead in Monday night's disaster remain. Waterworks officials believe there are eleven bodies in the tunnel instead of twelve, as previously estimated. If this is true, the total dead will be 21 instead of 22.

## NEW DOMINICAN PRESIDENT.

## By Associated Press.

Domingo, July 26.—Federico Henriquez Carvajal was proclaimed provisional president of Santo Domingo by congress today, succeeding Juan Isidoro Jimenez.

## EPIDEMIC STILL RAGING.

New York, July 26.—Thirty-five children died and 162 new cases of infantile paralysis were reported here in the last 24 hours by the health department.

## RAILROAD PRESIDENT DIES.

## By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Mo., July 26.—F. H. Britton, aged 66 years, president of the Cotton Belt railroad, died at his home here this morning from stomach trouble. He was president of the road for 17 years.

## NEW HAVEN WOULD RETAIN BOAT LINES.

New York, July 26.—Examiner Howell, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, today begins the taking of testimony in this city on the application of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad to continue operation of its steamship lines in New England. The Panama Canal act prohibits joint ownership of competing steamship and railway lines. The New Haven company contends that this prohibition does not apply to its lines.

## HORSE SHOW AT LONG BRANCH.

Long Branch, N. J., July 26.—The twenty-third annual exhibition of the Monmouth County Horse Show association opened here today and will continue until the end of the week. The event is one of the social attractions of the summer season, and has attracted a large number of well-known people.

## AMERICAN SOCCER TEAM DEPARTS.

New York, July 26.—Sailing on the steamship Frederick VIII today for Europe are the American soccer players who are to test their prowess in a series of games with the star players of Scandinavia. The tour is the result of a joint arrangement concluded by the Swedish National Gymnastic and Sporting Association of Stockholm and the United States Football Association, which is the body governing the sport in this country. The party is made up of a score of expert players selected from teams in Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Fall River, New York, Yonkers, and Bethlehem, Pa. The players are accompanied by a manager and trainer. The contests on the other side are scheduled to begin August 15. The tour will last seven weeks. The principal games be played in Denmark and Holland.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight and Thursday unsettled.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:

Max. temp. 99 degs.  
 Min. temp. 74 degs.  
 General direction of wind: South Clear.



## CARRANZA'S PLANS.

While Carranza is delaying his reply to the latest note from our government, he does not hesitate to give out for publication a statement of his views and his plans, which indicates that a settlement of the difficulties is as far off as ever.

The withdrawal of our troops now in Mexico, of course, is the most important point to Carranza. This would lead one to believe that he is not honest in his statements that he desires nothing so much as peace with this country, for if he would only let our troops alone they would aid in the pacification of the country which he claims is his present aim.

So far as his desire for the "vigilance of the border" is concerned, this is another example of the duplicity of the discredited first chief. If he had the troops he claimed, he could have guarded the border and prevented the incursions of the armed bandits—both Carrancistas and Villistas—without any trouble. But his attitude toward our government has always been one of veiled hostility, and his actions have convinced every one open to conviction that he had no desire to prevent the incursions and led to the suspicion that he has profited by them.

If the border guard is to be carried on by this country, we shall be under an enormous expense for several years to come, as the small forces which Carranza is able to control are all needed in maintaining his ridiculous pretensions to power and to subdue the sporadic risings in all parts of the republic.

It is evident that his claim of friendship for the United States is merely dictated by a desire to get all the arms and ammunition he can, and to keep his ragged, starving troops in no worse condition than at present. His "friendship" was proved by his orders to attack our forces if they moved in any direction except toward the border.

With regard to the elections which he announces, they would be the veriest farce. Right across the river from Laredo there are many thousands of dollars worth of property now held by people who have not the slightest claim to it. The real owners are in Laredo and other American cities. They dare not cross the river, and they dare not vote for an honest municipal administration, but must leave the election in the hands of Carranza's creatures, who calmly proceed to "sequester" everything they can get their hands on, setting up the charge of "scientific" and "reactionary" against every property owner to prevent his coming back and ousting them.

The same would be the case in every city and town now held by the Carranza troops, while in cities where they are not the dominant faction Carranza would refuse to recognize the elections as "legal."

There is not a municipality in Mexico occupied by a Carranza garrison which would permit an opponent of the Carranza party to cast a vote. And the delegates to the conventions, the deputies and senators of the National congress, the state and municipal officers would all be elected at the point of the bayonet. So much for "constitutionalism!"

Carranza prates of having "driven the usurper (Huerta) from power," when every Mexican as well as every American knows that it was President Wilson who drove Huerta from Mexico and that Villa was the man who won every battle of the Carrancista forces up to the time when Carranza, armed with the lust of power, quarrelled with Villa and forced the new revolution.

Carranza has not the slightest hope of ever ruling Mexico without the backing—moral and physical—of the United States. He knows this as well as our government knows it, and yet he insists upon dickering with our administration for some concessions in the demands we have made.

If the interview given the Associated Press represents Carranza's real answer to the proposition for a commission to settle the border troubles, he is doomed to defeat, for no self-respecting people could ever listen to such propositions as his. And particularly not a government which has insisted upon the legality by which the regularity of the elections by which the Mexican president must come into power.

## NOT HERE FOR DRILL.

A woman in Indiana wrote to the president complaining that her son was being "detained" on the border, and Mr. Wilson promptly wrote back that the troops were kept on the border the protection of the country, not for drill.

It is hard for those at a distance to appreciate the present situation. Indeed, many of the Guardsmen now here seem not to appreciate the fact that were the troops withdrawn from the frontier there would be a repetition of the raids and the robberies which were the primary cause for their being sent here.

The preparation for actual conflict with Mexico is only secondary to the necessity for so guarding the border that the Mexicans shall recognize the futility of attacking us. We do not want to force a war upon Mexico, despite the belief of many that the border people are all bent upon intervention. We believe that intervention must inevitably come, but we are determined that it shall come through no act of ours.

Many of the Guardsmen have been members of the various state organizations for some years. They enlisted in peace times when there was no war cloud hovering over the nation. They were drafted to be subject to call in case of war, but they resent the fact that they may be called out without actual hostilities having commenced. It is likely that some of them will never again enter the service even should they be needed.

In some ways the service is disheartening to the Guardsmen. Most of them left good positions, business ventures of their own, or professional occupations in which they were earn-

ing many times what their soldier pay amounts to.

Many of them were convinced that war was so imminent that they might not reach the border before it was declared. They were content to serve in actual war, but are not satisfied to do mere guard duty at \$15 per month while their work or their business is suffering.

Their families are meeting with the same hardships during the enforced absence of their breadwinners as though the men were actually in the interior of Mexico. The pay is so small that when a Guardsman buys himself any little ordinary luxuries he has not much left to send home.

But it should be understood that this service is actually as necessary as would be a fight in a stricken field. It is fully as important to prevent the marauding bands crossing our line as it would be to stand up in front of a cavalry charge or to dig into the trenches to avoid shrapnel fire.

There are not many of the Guardsmen who are finding fault. Although the majority of them expected to be in Mexico by this time, most of the clear-thinking men amongst them—enlisted as well as commissioned—understand that they are doing a great service for their country, and are content to put in the time as best they may.

Indeed, many of them are sensible enough to consider how much better is their lot at present than it would be in case of actual hostilities and an invasion of Mexico. Here they have plenty of water, ice to cool it, good food well cooked, amusements—such as they are—and a life of ease compared with what they would have to undergo in the field.

The pay probably will be increased, in accordance with an amendment adopted by the senate to the army bill, and everything will be done to care for the soldiers as well if not better than those of previous campaigns.

Put the best advice that can be given to those in the service is to "Grin and bear it." The soldiers of past wars are smiling over the woes of the Guardsmen now in the service and, considering what most of them went through, the lot of the men now on border duty is not either difficult or discouraging. "The worst is yet to come."

The Austrians are complaining of the terrible mendacity of the Russians and declare that only 100,000 prisoners were captured by the Russians, instead of 250,000 as the latter claimed. If we were to lose 100,000 men we wouldn't have enough left to guard a waterhole.

The waterworks authorities in Cleveland are careful to point out that only twenty-one men were killed in the tunnel explosion, instead of the twenty-two first reported. Unless the extra man was a high official we don't see what particular difference it makes. It sure was a plenty.

Texas is to get nearly three hundred thousand dollars for good roads. If the project to build a road between Eagle Pass and Laredo is brought up again, that amount will be about enough for a survey.

Spain has been ravaged by a hurricane, and one reads with interest that "the village of Torreon is in ruins." Sounds as if Villa had been somewhere around.

A bad taste in the mouth comes from disordered stomach, and back of that is usually a torpid liver:—A condition which invites disease. HERBINE is the remedy needed. It corrects the stomach and makes the liver active and regular. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

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NO WORD IS RECEIVED HERE  
REGARDING THE AMERICANS

OF THE BLAYLOCK COLONY WHO  
FLED TO THE MOUNTAINS.

Emissary Dispatched to the Vicinity  
of Where Americans Supposed to  
Be Hiding Not Heard From.

Momentarily word is expected to reach Laredo regarding the welfare of the ninety-four Americans of the Blaylock colony who when last heard from had fled to the mountains of Chamal about one hundred miles inland from Tampico, and who had not since been heard from. It is feared that they have suffered at the hands of the Carrancistas, who are said to have threatened the American men, women and children with dire consequences if they did not comply with certain concessions asked by the Mexicans.

An emissary of the United States government was dispatched to the section where the Americans are said to be in hiding several days ago with instructions to provide every member of the colony with transportation to the border and advise them of conditions that existed. The emissary should have reached Chamal several days ago, but so far no report has been received from him by United States Consul Garrett, who is handling the matter from Laredo.

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### NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

JULY 27

Charles M. Levey, the new president and general manager of the re-organized Western Pacific Railway, and a well-known figure in Western railroad circles, is 58 years old today. Mr. Levey was born in Ohio, July 27, 1858, and educated in the public schools. He began at the bottom, as a telegraph operator with the Michigan Central R. R. in 1871. Ten years later he had advanced to the office of assistant superintendent at Burlington, Iowa, and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R. R. His rise as a railway official was constant from then on, through connection with several of the great lines of the Middle West, and in 1905 he became vice-president of the Northern-Pacific. In 1909 he became vice-president and general manager of the Western Pacific, and in 1915 was appointed manager for the receivers during the recent financial difficulties which beset the road. He was the unanimous choice of the directors for the new policy of expansion and reconstruction which has been mapped out, and on July 14 last, assumed full control when the road passed out of the hands of a receiver.

Look Good—Feel Good.  
Not one can often feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, draggy, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box today, take one or two pills to night. In the morning that stuffed, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c. at your druggist.

Worms interfere with the growth of children. They become thin, pale and sickly. Get rid of these parasites at once if you would have healthy, happy, cheerful children. WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE destroys worms and benefits the whole system. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

### THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 27

- 1757—Franklin reached London as Colonial agent.
- 1794—Overthrow of Robespierre, demagogue of the French Revolution, and end of the Reign of Terror. Robespierre and 20 of his party were guillotined the following day.
- 1843—Canton, China, opened to British trade.
- 1866—First successful Atlantic cable completed and messages exchanged.
- 1870—Empress Eugenie of France declared Regent of France during the absence of Napoleon III at the front in the Franco-Prussian War.
- 1880—St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, scene of bloody struggle in recent Irish Rebellion, formally opened to the public.
- 1911—Liner Empress of China stranded off Japanese coast and her 1855 passengers rescued by Japanese cruisers.
- 1913—Chinese Government captured the Hukow forts in Kiangsi Province from the rebels by a joint land and naval attack.
- 1915—President Vilbrun Guillaume Hayti dragged out of the French legation at Port-au-Prince, where he had taken refuge, and shot by the Revolutionists. First direct wireless communication, established between Japan and the United States, International Lord's Day Congress at Oakland, Cal., with 22 countries represented.
- 1914—THE WAR: England appealed to Austria, Serbia and Russia to suspend hostilities pending a co-operative mediation conference to which France, Germany and Italy were bidden. General mobilization of the Serbian army. Mobilization of five Russian army corps. Partial mobilization of Austria. Strict Austrian censorship declared.
- 1915—THE WAR: Austrians make air raid on Verona, historic Italian town.

## HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging  
Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave  
Up in Despair. Husband  
Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains a my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

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Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper.

## MR. VALLS ANSWERS ARREDONDO THROUGH GOVERNOR FERGUSON

### SENDS LETTER TO TEXAS EXECUTIVE THAT IS MASTERLY PAPER AND GIVES SOME REAL FACTS

Tells the Governor of Matter of Which Mexican Ambassador  
Protests and Governor Forwards Letter  
to Secretary Lansing.

A letter compiled in a masterly manner and treating in full detail on matters pertaining to the Mexican question in this immediate section, together with data concerning Emeterio Flores, Leo D. Walker and Melquiades Garcia, and the parts they played through El Progreso to incite ill-feeling between Mexicans and Americans, is the document written by District Attorney John A. Valls of this city and sent to Governor Ferguson, who in turn transmitted it to Secretary of State Lansing at Washington in order that he inform Ambassador Arredondo on certain matters in which he became officious and asked for an investigation. Mr. Valls' letter in full is as follows:

Laredo, Texas, July 18th, 1916.  
Hon. John L. Wroe, Secretary to the Governor, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 11th instant enclosing a letter from His Excellency, Robert Lansing, Secretary of State, and a copy of a letter to Mr. Lansing from Mr. E. Arredondo, the representative in Washington of the de facto government of Mexico.

These letters request information concerning an alleged attack in Laredo on the persons of Emeterio Flores and Leo D. Walker, whom Mr. Arredondo designates as Mexican citizens.

I did not reply to your letter immediately because my time has been devoted during the entire week to the prosecution of four Mexican citizens, members of a band who so cruelly murdered our soldiers in the raid at San Ignacio on the 15th day of last month. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and assessed the penalty of each at death. These four Mexican citizens testified under oath that they belonged to the Constitutional Army of Mexico, that the band that attacked San Ignacio consisted of seventy-five men and that they were publicly organized and equipped in Monterey and Jarita with the full knowledge of the officers of the de facto Government of Mexico.

With reference to Emeterio Flores I beg to attach herewith a certified copy of his declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States and also a certificate establishing the fact that he was consecutively elected for a number of years to the office of County Commissioner of Webb County and that he served and acted in said capacity for several terms. Emeterio Flores voted in this county and participated in our elections for many years. Emeterio Flores in 1912 was convicted in the Federal Court in this city on his plea of guilty under an indictment charging him with a violation of the neutrality laws. It will become him now to seek the protection of a country whose allegiance he has forsworn and he can be properly classified as a fraud on both governments. According to reliable information Emeterio Flores was neither attacked or molested by our citizens. After the Walker incident Flores went to his home in this city and then of his own volition he subsequently departed from Laredo to make his residence in Mexico. I suggest that his departure might have been prompted by the lash of conscience.

It is a fact that Leo D. Walker was compelled by some American citizens to enter an automobile and he was subsequently conducted to the bank of the Rio Grande and told to go to Mexico and not return. The Americans informed him this action was taken because they feared his future conduct in Laredo would lead to race riots and bloodshed. They assured him they were acting for the best interests of the community. They used no insulting language to him; they did not throw him into the river as charged by Mr. Arredondo. He was allowed to take off his shoes and he waded across. A few days after this occurrence the Grand Jury was convened; that body was composed of the most representative citizens of this county, and while I can not divulge the proceedings of the Grand Jury, yet I assure you that no bill was returned against the men who participated in the Walker incident. Now, permit me to relate the facts leading those citizens to deal thus harshly with Leo Walker.

I desire first to correct the statement made by Mr. Arredondo. Emeterio Flores was not the editor of "El Progreso." Walker was the editor and Flores was the nominal proprietor. Until a few months ago "El Progreso" was owned by Emeterio Flores and Melquiades Garcia, the Consul of the de facto Government in this city. In the absence of Flores the said Mexican Consul was daily in the office of El Progreso directing and controlling its policy and supervising its management. El Progreso had been since the death of Madero the organ of Venustiano Carranza in this section and it is a matter of common knowledge that this paper was subsidized by the de facto Government and practically controlled by it. El Progreso has also ceased publication since the Walker incident.

For several years I have warned, I have advised, I have entreated the Mexican Consul and Emeterio Flores to cease the libelous and inflammatory editorials which appeared in El Progreso. I have prosecuted and con-

victed the editors of libel, but in spite of my prosecutions and in spite of my warnings the editorials increased in virulence and animosity towards the United States. They mistook the liberty of the press for license. The editorials tended to incite one race against the other especially at a time when the relations between the two governments were so delicate and strained. Again and again good citizens have appealed to me to stop these editorials so dangerous to the peace and order of the community. The editorial columns of El Progreso shamefully abused President Wilson and bitterly assailed his administration and the inevitable tendency of this policy was to arouse national animosity on the border.

In the month of May of this year a number of American citizens of Mexican extraction at San Benito offered their services to Governor Ferguson. El Progreso seized this opportunity to bitterly assail those patriotic residents, calling them "bitches," "black Americans" and declaring it would "not honor the adjective that should be applied to them." Some young men of Laredo of Mexican parentage who had joined the militia appealed to me saying they were American citizens and objected vigorously to such comment on their conduct. The purpose of El Progreso was evident and fearing the consequences of such editorials I immediately ordered the arrest of Leo D. Walker and had him placed under a bond of five thousand dollars conditioned that he would no longer publish libelous articles. The good effect of this proceeding lasted but a short while. A few days preceding the Walker incident I received a letter from a friend in Mexico informing me of certain preparations and predicting the raid at Webb station. This prediction was subsequently verified. El Progreso published an editorial commenting on the aforesaid letter saying it had been written in this city and that the author was a well known resident of Laredo. I called at the office of El Progreso and I was there informed that Leo Walker was responsible for the editorial. I sent for Leo Walker, who came to my office and there in the presence of the County Attorney and the County Assessor he acknowledged to me he had knowingly published a deliberate falsehood and would so state in the next issue of his paper. That very afternoon a few indignant citizens of Laredo escorted Leo Walker to the bank of the river and after explaining to him the necessity for such action ordered him to cross into Mexico and not return.

While I am a firm believer in the rule that every accused is entitled to a trial in accordance with the law of the land, yet, nurtured as I was in the purest principles of American liberty, I do not admit that my fellow citizens committed a grievous wrong in the Walker incident. While I fully appreciate the loss the de facto government has sustained by a suspension of El Progreso's influence, yet I seriously question the sincerity and the dubious method that government has adopted to secure its restoration.

During the Huerta regime its official organ in this section was "El Guardia del Bravo." At the time of the occupation of Vera Cruz by the American troops that newspaper published a series of incendiary articles tending to incite race riots. Foreseeing the consequences of this conduct I went to the office of that paper, closed its doors and threatened to put the editor in jail if his paper appeared again upon our streets. My order was obeyed. El Progreso was then in existence; Melquiades Garcia, the present consul of the de facto Government, was then the Constitutionalist consul in this city; Emeterio Flores and Melquiades Garcia were then the owners of El Progreso and I can well remember with what feelings and expressions of joy and satisfaction they congratulated my action with reference to "El Guardia del Bravo." The conditions were the same in both cases and if my conduct was correct towards El Guardia del Bravo by what sort of logic does El Progreso hope to escape the same conclusion?

It will become the de facto Government of Mexico to complain of trivial misdemeanors when it has tolerated such cruel and wanton outrages on our own citizens. The de facto Government knows that we have demanded with all the formality of law the extradition of notorious criminals, desperate outlaws who have been a menace to the peace and order of the border, and our requests have been disregarded and those very criminals are today holding commissions in the army of that government. No duplicity however, crafty and no attitude however arrogant can condone or palliate such conduct.

The recent trials in Webb County of the bandits who murdered our soldiers at San Ignacio and of those who attempted to burn bridges and cut telegraph wires at Webb Station establish the fact that these bands were publicly organized and equipped in Mexico, that they met and mingled with the forces and officers of the de facto Government, that they were furnished transportation in three railroad cars from Monterey to Jarita, that it was widely proclaimed at Monterey that these hands were going to make hostile incursions into Texas, that men high in the councils of the de facto Government were cognizant of the unlawful enterprise, and yet not a finger was raised by that gov-

## WILL DECREASE STRENGTH OF REGIMENTS NOW HERE

### STUDENTS TO BE GIVEN CHANCE TO RESUME THEIR STUDIES

While Other Members of Militia to Take Advantage of "Dependence" Act; Will Cut Down Force Here.

The announcement contained in the dispatches under a Washington date yesterday to the effect that the war department was contemplating arranging for the discharge of all young men now in the army who were college or university students at the time of their enlistment, and that the discharges would be made by the first of September in order that the students could resume their studies at the beginning of the sessions, has created much interest in the military camps in Laredo where are located about 9,000 national guardsmen.

If the discharges of all students are made, and such will be done only on the part of the young men themselves, who must apply for release from service, it will greatly diminish the force of guardsmen located at Laredo and every other point along the Texas border. There are entire commands in the national guards of the various states composed exclusively of students, as exists right here in Laredo, where the Second Maine Regimental (University of Maine) Band, Co. F of the First Missouri and the First Machine Gun Co. are all students and the organizations were formed in colleges. Co. F coming from the Washington University and the machine gun company from St. Louis University. Then there are one or two companies in the New Hampshire regiment that are composed entirely of young men who were applying themselves to the studies of universities or schools of high learning of other classes when the call for the militia to mobilize and move to the border was made.

Many of the Missouri and Maine students now members of the national either of the junior or senior classes of the colleges they are attending, while a few would have graduated this year. Represented in the army are students who were taking courses that would eventually have made them doctors, lawyers, chemists and other professional men.

The news that they will be afforded an opportunity to get a discharge from the military service now that no "eventualities" are anticipated to need them in the field, comes as cheerful tidings to the young men, as many are disappointed in not having an opportunity afforded them to cross the border line and see actual service. The mere fact of them being detained in camp neither benefits them nor the country, hence many will take advantage of the offer made them to get released.

Quite a few of the other men who are members of the various regiments, and who when the call came laid aside their implements of trade and readily responded to the mobilization order, are likewise seeking their discharge, most of the latter being men who have families dependant on them for a livelihood and who, with the meagre salaries earned in the army, can not support their loved ones. Included in the Missouri camp here are several hundred young men who were following the vocation of miners when the "call" came, and these are now satisfied that they have shown their willingness to serve their country, but being that there is "nothing in sight," they will take advantage of the "dependence act" of the army and seek their discharges in order to return home and resume their vocations.

Hence it is to be seen that with the intention of the war department to give discharges to all students who apply for same, and other men taking advantage of the dependence act, some of the companies of regiments here will be practically depleted, while some regiments will be brought far below the minimum in the required complement of men to keep them intact.

## Taking Big Chances.

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.

ernment to frustrate the cruel and murderous mission.

I therefore charge the de facto Government of Mexico with rendering financial aid to El Progreso and with operating and controlling on American soil a newspaper bitterly hostile to American institutions and whose continued publication in Laredo would have resulted in riot and bloodshed.

I charge the de facto Government with full responsibility for the recent raids committed in my district, and I charge that those raids were conducted with the knowledge and consent, if not the approbation, of the de facto Government.

These are serious charges made with calm deliberation and if I am not able to sustain them I should be publicly reprimanded by my government and dismissed from office with dishonor, otherwise I should be upheld in my endeavors to preserve law and order on the border in spite of the protestations of the de facto Government whose duplicity and arrogance are equaled only by its instability.

Mexican citizens do receive and will receive the full protection of our laws and some of these citizens are numbered among the most prominent and respected residents of this community.

I have the honor to be, sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
JOHN A. VALLS,  
District Attorney.





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### ALL EYES ON MAINE.

Augusta, Me., July 28.—Will Maine set the pace for the political race of 1916 in the initial State election of the year? Will the results be indicative of the triumph of the Republican or Democratic party in November? Politicians throughout the whole country have their eyes on the Pine Tree State and will watch eagerly for the returns from the September election after some 140,000 voters have cast their ballots for two United States senators, four representatives in Congress and a Governor and other State officers. The State election in Maine has gained the reputation of being something of a political barometer, and the results are generally supposed to give some line on the sentiment in the country at large.

The Republicans of the State are confident of regaining control and of defeating Governor Curtis, and in their efforts will have plenty of outside help, including that of Charles E. Hughes, the presidential candidate, and twenty-five representatives in Congress and a dozen or more United States senators from other States. Whether President Wilson will visit Maine has not been decided, but the Democrats are expecting a number of speakers of national reputation.

For the first time in many years Maine is to lead the way—in fact it will be the only State in which an election will be held before the national contest. In former years Vermont led the country by holding its contest on the first Tuesday in September, but as the State has been unwaveringly Republican and maintained its reputation even in the face of the Progressive movement four years ago, the size of the Republican victory was accepted as the political barometer for the rest of the country. Maine followed a week later and usually confirmed the sentiment ex-



## What The War Is Doing For The Farmer

The European war is not an unmitigated evil; nor yet is it an unmitigated blessing for this country. We shall not attempt to go into the details of the question at all, nor shall we discuss "war brides", munition plants or other similar phases of the situation. We shall look at the war purely from the standpoint of prices for raw products, either produced here in this country or imported from foreign countries. And



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of course when we consider raw products we must carry the subject further on into the matter of the prices we get and the prices we must pay for finished products. We shall confine our consideration, too, to those products which have their origin on the farm. In the raw state or finished and manufactured into edible or wearable articles.

Let us take wheat, for example. We all know that the war has put the price of wheat way up. Very well—this means that the whole country, city, town and rural population as well as paying more for their food—therefore the wheat raiser should theoretically be getting rich on a product which it costs him no more to raise than formerly and for which he gets more money.

But wait a minute—there are other things to consider in this matter of growing rich off of the war. Cotton and wool and meats and farm machinery and sugar have gone up too. This means that while the wheat raiser is getting more for his product, he is also paying some other agriculturist more for his product. This cuts down somewhat on the profits the war is bringing to the farmer. Then it would seem that the best way to keep ahead of the game is for the farmer to pay the farmer who raises his necessities the increased prices that the war has brought about and when buying his luxuries or those things that are not bare necessities of life to pick and choose from

### PERSONALS

A. L. Gray, the hardware man arrived in the city yesterday.

W. D. Young, district passenger and freight agent of the Missouri Pacific Ry. and the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Ry. with headquarters at San Antonio, is a visitor in the city.

Juan Zamorano, formerly Mexican consul in this city under the Diaz regime, arrived in the city yesterday from Mexico and left last night for Chicago.

Dr. C. E. Jumper, who came to Laredo from Mexico a short time ago with the intentions of locating and practicing his profession here, left today for Arizona to accept a position that was tendered him by wire and which he expects to hold until things are settled in Mexico, when he expects to return to that country.

W. R. Pace returned home last night from an extended automobile trip over the State. He was accompanied by his grandsons, Masters Louis Burr and Bill Derby. Master Louis was the chauffeur. They spent much of their time in Mr. Pace's old home in Huntsville and returned by way of Houston and Corpus Christi. Mr. Pace reports a very enjoyable trip and one void of mishaps.

BENDER.—W. R. Snyder, St. Louis, Mo.; J. T. Buickley, F. M. Bath, R. F. Guajardo, San Antonio; J. F. Bowell, Philadelphia; Fred A. Mailander, Waco; James Otney, Houston; L. Craim, B. H. Buchanan, San Antonio; George Walker, New York; A. S. Shaw, Port Arthur; J. A. Covey and son, San Antonio; L. B. Richards, Houston; G. E. Harris, Palestine; J. B. Logan, Waco; J. F. Clark, Fort Worth; J. R. French, San Antonio; E. Melton, Mrs. H. Taubiere, Austin; M. G. DeWolf, Tampico; Mrs. H. C. Clark, Nevada, Mo.; Mrs. C. C. Earp, Nevada, Mo.; M. L. West, Guthrie, Oklahoma.

### HOW HE FELT.

The conditions in the trenches were dreary in the extreme after the drenching and long-continued rainfall, but the irrepressible spirits of the "pals" were not yet entirely quenched when the order came to leave the trenches.

"Hurry up out of this, my gallant soldiers," was the cheery call of the sergeant to his waist-deep and rain-soaked men.

"Soldiers!" came the derisive answer from one of them. "I'm not a soldier; I'm a blooming bullrush!"—Tit-Bits.

### MERELY BUSINESS.

A train in Arizona was boarded by robbers, who ordered the hapless passengers to deliver up all their possessions. One of the latter, however, happened to be a Jew hailing from New York. When his turn came to part up, he reluctantly drew two hundred dollars from his pocket and, taking four from them, placed the latter in his vest pocket.

"What do you mean by that?" demanded the robber as he toyed with his revolver.

"Mine friend," answered the Jew, "you surely would not refuse me two per cent discount on a cash transaction like this?"—Exchange.

### ALL THE BELOVED THERE.

"So you went to church last Sunday?" asked the doubtful one. "Then, to prove it, what was the text?"

"The text was, 'He giveth his beloved sleep.'"

"You're right. How many of the congregation were there?"

"All the beloved, it seemed to me."—Puck.

### STAG PARTIES.

"I wonder why they call them stag parties?" remarked the man who had just received an invitation to attend one.

"It's probably an allusion to that well-known quotation, 'The stag at eve has drunk his fill,'" replied his wife meaningly.

### HIGH COST OF LIFE.

Wayne—Brown does a lot of entertaining at his country place.

Payne—Does he succeed in growing anything?

Wayne—His mortgage has grown from \$2,000 to \$5,000 since April, and will probably jump another thousand before August.

### EVANGELINE THE PRECISE.

Evangeline, from Vassar, was home for the holidays. Late one afternoon she came in during a downpour of rain.

"Evangeline," said her mother, "I was merely in the portion of the rain that descended in my immediate vicinity."

### THE TOUCH PRE-EMINENT.

"A cosy picture, eh? A man lolling in an easy chair and his beautiful wife leaning over him lighting his cigar."

"You haven't seen the companion picture to it, have you?"

"Why, no."

"It's the same man savagely chewing the end of his cigar and writing a check."

### SHE UNDERSTOOD.

Aviator (home from the war on leave)—And then when you are up pretty high—three or four miles, say—and you look down, it's positively sickening. It is stupendous, awful. A great height is a fearful thing, I can tell you.

Lady (feelingly)—Yes, I can sympathize with you, poor boy. I feel just that way myself when I'm on top of a stepladder.

### SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt  
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### SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.

Red Cross Sewing Circle A will meet with Mrs. A. C. Richter at nine o'clock in the morning.

Red Cross Circles C and D will meet with Mrs. J. W. Mussett at nine o'clock in the morning.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the church at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Misses Belle and Lillian Westbrook will entertain the Girls Swimming Club at nine o'clock in the morning.

The girls will give a return dance to the boys at ten o'clock in the evening at Elks Hall.

Saturday.

Red Cross Class in First Aid will meet at Elks Hall at nine o'clock sharp in the morning.

Mrs. R. K. Mims will entertain at half after nine o'clock with auction bridge, honoring Miss De Rosette Thomas of Tucson, Arizona.

Months that blossom with wild laughter,  
Lips that bud with fragrant song,  
Made a garden for my spirit,  
Where I walked the whole day long.

Every step I took was music,  
Song and fragrance filled the day.  
Why must all the land run barren,  
All my song birds wing away?—Harry Kemp.

### General Mention.

Mr. Louis Beyett returned yesterday from Aransas Pass, where he went in response to a message telling of the illness of his father, who is now better.

Mr. E. D. Duhose returned to San Antonio today after a stay in the city.

Mrs. C. C. McKinney and little daughter Anne have returned from Corpus Christi after a pleasant stay of several weeks.

Letters from the members of the Milmo Rifles say that they are having their share of the rain and also that they expect soon to be moved to Sanfordyce.

Miss Mary Butties of Pearsall is the guest of Miss Mary Louise Cone in North Laredo.

Mr. W. R. Pace has returned home after a several weeks' visit to relatives in different parts of the state.

Mr. S. D. DeWolf returned yesterday from a short trip to Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Colman and daughters of Laredo will arrive in the city Saturday and will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Robert McCulloch, Corpus Christi Caller.

### Entertainment.

The members of the Thursday Sewing Club were most delightfully entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Max Yenser at four o'clock. Several hours were spent in sewing and having a pleasant time generally, and the hostess served a delicious ice course during the afternoon. Those present were Mesdames Offer, A. C. Richter, Schmidt, Charles Richter, and the hostess.

### Red Cross Notes.

There was a called meeting at Elks Hall yesterday morning, and a large number of ladies who are interested in Red Cross work formulated plans for having a "Jamaica" on Martin Plaza, August fifteenth, with Mrs. C.

### WORTH TRYING.

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A passing old lady paused beside him.

"What's the matter, little man?" she asked, in a kindly voice.

"O-o-oh!" wailed the youngster. "Pa and ma won't take me to the pictures tonight."

"But don't make such a noise!" said the dame admonishingly. "Do they ever take you when you cry like that?"

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### PERSHING RECEIVING A REPORT FROM A SCOUT



General Pershing receiving a report from one of his scouts. To the right stands General Pershing, in the center, Colonel Beacon, and to the left is Scout Geert Viel. This scout arrived in camp after a long trip across the desert in search for information concerning the movements of Mexican forces.

B. Kennedy as chairman. It is planned to be one of the largest affairs of its kind ever held in Laredo. The Mexican and American society matrons of Laredo will preside over the different booths, and will be assisted by a bevy of pretty girls dressed in fancy costumes. The quaint old plaza near the bank of the historic Rio Grande will be gay in gala attire, and the merry scene will take one back to the happy days of yore in old Mexico, when these fete days were hailed with delight by the residents and "the strangers within the gates."

Every effort will be made by the chairman and committee in charge to make this a beautiful entertainment, and one to be long remembered by those in attendance. There will be music galore, and with music and pretty girls, illumination, and "good things to eat," the Red Cross will no doubt reap a harvest that will bring comfort to many of our soldiers in camp, as the doctor in charge at the military hospital said, the boxes that have been turned over to him by the Red Cross "Came as gifts from Heaven."

### Birthday Party.

Mrs. Daiches entertained very delightfully yesterday afternoon, with a box party at the movies, in honor of her little daughter Josephine's seventh birthday. The photo-play was followed by a refreshment course at the City Drug store, consisting of ice-cream and individual cakes ornamented in red and white roses. Those to enjoy the hospitality of the afternoon were: Mesdames Wilcox, Goodman, Daiches and Miss Marie Mowry, Gladys Sauvignot, Rosalie Wormser, Charlotte Vidaurri, Tassie Vidaurri, Mary Ward, Margaret Ward, Mary Genevieve Wilcox, Eleanora Morrow, Leonora Cross, Helen Lewis, Elizabeth Merriman, Theresa Fasnacht, Hortense Leyendecker, William Mims, William Richter, John Robert Fasnacht, Joe Fasnacht, Woodie Bunn, Lionel Goodman.

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### AN OVERDOSE.

Little Bobby had been praying for some time for a little sister, but as time passed with no fulfillment of his petition, he finally came to the conclusion that it was no use, and announced his intention of stopping.

Shortly afterward he was called into his mother's room to welcome two little sisters. Gazing thoughtfully at them a few moments, he said:

"My, but it's a good thing I stopped praying when I did!"—Exchange.

### HARD TO TELL.

Two farmers met in a certain town a day or two after a cyclone had visited that particular neighborhood.

"She shook things up pretty bad out at my place," said one, stroking his whiskers meditatively.

"By the way, Hi," he added, "that new barn o' yours got hurt any?"

"Well," drawled the other, "I dun no. I haven't found it yet"—Pathfinder.

### AT THE FRONT.

Dan Molloy, in many respects a good soldier, had not the virtue of tidiness. Appearing on parade one morning with his boots unlaced, the sergeant at once dropped on him.

"Private Molloy, fall out!" he roared. "What d'ye mean by comin' here wid your boots in a mess like that?"

"Arrah, now, sargeint, be aisy!" replied the imperturbable Dan. "Sure, ye niver saw a good soldier showin' a clane pair o' heels!"

### WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight and Saturday unsettled. Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:

Max. temp. 95 degs.  
Min. temp. 72 degs.  
General direction of wind: South.  
Cloudy.

### Constipation and Indigestion.

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Wanted:—Mexican girl to wait on ice cream stand. Apply tomorrow morning between nine and ten o'clock at 608 Flores avenue.

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Physician and Surgeon,  
Office hours:—10 to 12 a. m. and 4 to 5 p. m.  
Office: Room 5, Richter Building.  
Phones: Residence, 474; Office, 684.

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### WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight and Saturday unsettled. Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:

Max. temp. 95 degs.  
Min. temp. 72 degs.  
General direction of wind: South.  
Cloudy.

### Constipation and Indigestion.

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere.



## PREACHING ANARCHY.

We are told that the right of free speech and a free press, guaranteed by our constitution, permit the public dissemination of any political or religious creed that may be held, and that the police powers of the various states do not permit the arrest of those who engage in the teaching of any doctrine, no matter how menacing to our institutions.

The Texas Republic points out that the teachings of Emma Goldman were responsible for the assassination of President McKinley by Czolgosz, and that the teaching of anarchistic doctrines was responsible for the bomb outrages of which the McNamars and their associates were convicted.

The press despatches carry the news of general strikes threatened by the employees in various lines of activity, as well as of local strikes in several cities where violence accompanies the strikes of street car men and other discontented employees.

The referendum vote of the four brotherhoods of railway employees is said to have resulted in permission to their leaders to call a general strike throughout the United States, and consequently the entire transportation system of this country depends upon the moderation of a few men who are not credited with being statesmen or wiser in ordinary matters than their fellow employees.

In our search for freedom we have gone to lengths that we not even dreamed of by the framers of our constitution. They could not foresee a day when the ignorant classes, freed of all restraint save their individual will, should so control affairs that the entire country would be at the mercy of a few sheaf demagogues, basing their immunity from punishment upon the right of free speech and a free press.

Theoretically, a man has a right to quit work when the conditions of that employment are unsatisfactory. Theoretically, also, he has a right to unite with other men to enforce his claims to fair treatment on the part of the employer. But not even theoretically has any man the right to destroy the property of his former employer, or to abuse or assault a man who takes his place in the industrial world—a place which he has voluntarily relinquished because of dissatisfaction with wages, working conditions or other cause.

To argue otherwise is to teach anarchy. The socialistic doctrine that everything belongs to the people because the people have created it is the basis of the anarchistic doctrine that men are entitled to live without government or control—that every man is a law unto himself and that no one has a right to say what another shall say or do.

If it is right for an anarchist to "avenge" himself upon the law by acts of violence, then it is the right of the rest of the people to hunt down and kill the perpetrators of acts of violence. If the law of the jungle is to rule, then the strongest party—which is undoubtedly the party in favor of law and order—will be forced to destroy the party which interferes with the exercise of all rights and privileges.

We should have laws controlling public speech and the published word. No man has a right to say or do anything which will injure his neighbor. If a man preaches that the people have the right to burn and dynamite and rob and murder, that man should be cut off forever from the right of free speech, for he exercises his right of free speech to the injury of others.

Our laws are woefully inadequate in the suppression of crime and lawlessness for the reason that we are still misinterpreting the rights of free speech and individual action. We punish the man who sets fire to his neighbor's barn, who kills another, who makes war upon this country or a friendly neighbor, while we permit the loudmouthed orator to give vent to speeches in which these acts of violence are advocated. And this is because our laws are framed to punish the offender, not prevent the offense from being committed. We need new laws and their strict enforcement.

## A QUEER DILEMMA.

The United States wants to ship food supplies to the starving multitudes in the part of Poland dominated by the Teutons. The Austrians are said to be favorably disposed toward the acceptance of the offer. But the British want an assurance that the supplies will not be seized by the Teutonic armies, and it is believed that this will upset the whole arrangement.

There is nothing unreasonable in the British demand. Naturally they do not wish to open their blockade for anyone, but they are willing to let the food supplies for the Poles pass through. They merely want an assurance that the distribution of the food supplies shall be administered by an American commission appointed by President Wilson, and they want assurances that the Teutonic armies will not seize for military use the donated food.

The Red Cross has secured many thousands of tons of supplies for the people in Europe's war zones. Some complaints have been received that certain supplies were seized by the Germans in Belgium, but these charges were not substantiated.

If Austria is really moved by pity for the unfortunates who are now under her control, she can easily secure for them a plentiful supply by agreeing to the conditions imposed by England, for the bounty of the American people is limitless and we are supplied with all that is needed by the starving non-combatants.

Indeed, for us to offer relief for the citizens of Poland without ourselves taking precautions to prevent the seizure of the food for any military use would be the height of folly. We have no supplies to waste for any of the armies of Europe, whether they be for the allies or the Teutons. We would be violating the neutrality we have so carefully observed up to the present were we to send to Poland

which might be seized for the use of the Austrian army.

It may be that the wounded dignity of the Teutons will not permit them to accede to such conditions, in which case they will prove that their humanity is less than their punctiliousness. But in any case, we cannot afford to let our charity be abused in any such manner.

All over the war-stricken continent there is lack of food. We are told that Germany, despite her boasts of having enough food to carry on the war indefinitely, is already cutting down the food supplies of the civilians, even the children, in order that the armies in the field may have enough.

In many parts of Russia there is hunger, while in Poland and Belgium the conditions are so frightful as to arouse the horror of the world. The Teutons are in control of both Belgium and Poland. It is to their credit that they are reported to have done all that they could for the starving civilians, but when they are so hard pressed for supplies it is not to be expected that they will use their supplies to feed civilians, and particularly civilians of an alien nation.

But the United States is willing to take up the task of feeding these starving women and children and old men. We have plenty to spare for the suffering of any nation, but we do not like to think that the condensed milk that is sent for the Polish babies may be turned into explosives for the German armies, as has been charged.

There is no shame in having a neutral food supply for civilians administered by people who represent those who have it. There is no shame in giving a guaranty that food for civilians shall not be seized, even in case of extreme necessity, by military forces. And the Teutons will prove that they are humane and merciful if they agree to this condition, which is not by any means unreasonable.

It is too early to predict the outcome of the offer which the United States has made to feed these famine-stricken people. The burden rests upon the Teuton governments for the saving of the starving or their condemnation to death.

A great deal has been said about the heat here on the border of late, especially in St. Louis, Kansas City and Chicago papers, but at any rate we have not in all our history had a single case of death from heat, while in Chicago alone the deaths from that cause are mounting to twenty-five daily.

It is evident that Secretary Daniels' order cutting wine from the mess of the naval officers has not prevented them from seeing things. So far it is only "ghost" cruisers, but it may be sea serpents or pink elephants in the near future.

An Oklahoma company of Guardsmen has measles in its camp, and the men have been quarantined. Soldiers who went through four years of field service in the sixties will remember that the worst cases of sickness in their experience were grown men with measles.

In a naval "battle" between German submarines and British patrol boats, Perlin reports that two British "vessels" were sunk. This is a compliment to a boat that could almost be carried in the vest pocket, which is all that the average British patrol boat is.

First Methodist Church. All the services at the First Methodist Church will begin thirty minutes earlier next Sunday morning. Let every one take notice of this. Sunday School will begin at 9:15 instead of 9:45. Preaching will begin at 10:30 instead of 11. This change is made to suit the needs of the congregation. This will make all the services close at 11:30.

Sunday morning begins our meeting. Be at this first service on time, and remember you are on the Welcoming Committee.

A QUEER DILEMMA. WALTER L. BARR, Pastor. 7-27-31.

Biliousness and Stomach Trouble. "Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach troubles and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbryske, Lima, Ohio. "I could eat very little food that agreed with me and I became so dizzy and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly." Obtainable everywhere.

ARE BUILDING CESSPOOLS City Puts Force of Men to Work at Camp Missouri Building Cesspools to Hold Bathhouse Water.

Whenever the city authorities or people of Laredo are given an opportunity to prove by act or deed that they want to help make the surroundings and stay of the militiamen pleasant in every way, they readily do the thing.

At this time the city has a force of men at work at Camp Missouri digging pits which will be used as cesspools to carry the water which comes from the bathhouses on the grounds. There are sixteen bathhouses out at Camp Missouri, four for each regiment, and sixteen cesspools will be built to hold the refuse water. Everything is being made sanitary at the militia camps here and the city officials of Laredo are doing their parts to further this work.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

## GEN. RAMIREZ IS EXECUTED ON THE PLAZA OF SALTILLO

HAD BEEN URGED BY GOVERNMENT TO RETURN TO MEXICO

He Was One of Villa's Most Intrepid Commanders at Beginning Revolution, But Later Living in Peace.

As the result of a diabolical work of treachery perpetrated by Carrancistas who had deceived him back to Mexico from United States through representations that he was safe under the amnesty pact and that money like him were needed in Mexico to help guide the destinies of the soldiery, General Santiago Ramirez, one of the most intrepid commanders under Pancho Villa at the time that he first severed connections with Carranza and opposed the first chief, was publicly executed on one of the plazas in Saltillo last Monday afternoon, just to satisfy the animosity of First Chief Venustiano Carranza.

Details of the execution were brought to Nuevo Laredo in official advices, but a more graphic description of the heinous act that nipped out the life of the fearless officer, who was once upon a time a very prominent man of Mexico in its commercial life, was told by a party arriving from Mexico who happened to be in Saltillo at the time the execution took place.

The party referred to states that for the past year or more General Ramirez, after fleeing from his native country, had taken refuge in the United States and was peacefully making his home in this country. A few weeks ago he was sought out by agents of the Carranza government and asked to return to Mexico; that all political offenses he might have committed were forgiven; that amnesty had been given all soldiers who had opposed the first chief, and that principal of all, Mexico needed men of his stamina and bravery. Through such alluring overtures General Ramirez was induced to return to Mexico. He was subsequently tried by a drumhead courtmartial and it was decreed that he should be publicly executed on one of the plazas of his erstwhile home. As soon as news of the decision of the courtmartial became known considerable activity on the part of friends and acquaintances of General Ramirez resulted.

About two weeks ago Ramirez left the United States and went to Saltillo, his former home, and there he was instantly arrested on the charge of being a man adverse to the Carranza government, and this despite the fact that the Carranza government had practically implored him to return to Mexico. He was subsequently tried by a drumhead courtmartial and it was decreed that he should be publicly executed on one of the plazas of his erstwhile home. As soon as news of the decision of the courtmartial became known considerable activity on the part of friends and acquaintances of General Ramirez resulted.

A telegram signed by over 600 of the representative citizens of Saltillo and containing a volume of words that cost one thousand pesos to transmit, was forwarded to First Chief Carranza at Mexico City, pleading with him to intercede in behalf of Ramirez and spare his life, as he had returned to Mexico under guarantees of the amnesty agreement and at the urgent invitation of the government. Eliciting no reply to their telegram another lengthy message was forwarded the first chief and in reply to this came the laconic and weird reply, "Ramirez must be executed." And this is the average value of promises made by Carranza and his generals—amnesty is applied according to whom the application is to be made to.

On last Monday afternoon the execution of General Ramirez was carried out and a band of firing squad of his own countrymen on a plaza in Saltillo. When a sergeant walked up and started to bandage his eyes Ramirez said, "No, let me look these Mexicans in the face: I am not a coward like them, but will die like a man." And just before the volley was fired that sent his soul into eternity, General Ramirez waved a farewell to his friends standing in the crowd and a smile covered his face as the volley rang out—and he died with a look of satisfaction on his face.

There is much indignation in Saltillo over the manner in which Carranza acted in this case and the atrocious manner in which General Ramirez was treated after his arrest. But law in Mexico, as applied by the Carrancistas borders on that of barbarity and the dark ages, and execution is a mild way of putting a man to death—in fact the most civilized way practiced in Mexico.

## MAYOR ISSUES INVITATIONS

Sends Letter to Colonels Commanding Militia Regiments Asking Them to Arrange for Band Concerts.

Acting in the capacity of the city's chief executive, Mayor Robert McComb has addressed personal and official communications to each of the six colonels commanding the Maine, New Hampshire and four Missouri regiments stationed here, and each of which has an excellent military band, inviting them to give concerts on some of the plazas of the city.

The mayor in his letter assures the commanders of the regiments that the people of Laredo, as well as the soldiery, "are lovers of the dulcet strains of melody that might be wafted forth on evening zephyrs," and asks that they arrange to "let music float on the air." The mayor requests that twelve hours notice be given him when a concert is planned in order that he might announce the fact through the newspapers, arrange seats in the bandstand and do other preliminaries that precede the "tooting of the tunes."

## A NOTRE DAME LADY'S APPEAL

To all knowing sufferers of rheumatism, whether muscular or of the joints, sciatica, lumbago, backache, pains in the kidneys or neuralgia pains, to write to her for a home treatment which has repeatedly cured all of these troubles. She feels it her duty to send it to all sufferers FREE. You cure yourself at home as thousands will testify—no change of climate being necessary. This simple discovery banishes uric acid from the blood, loosens the stiffened joints, purifies the blood, and brightens the eyes, giving elasticity and tone to the whole system. If the above interests you, for proof address Mrs. M. Summers, Box 8, Notre Dame, Ind.

## WANT OFFICERS GO TO CORPUS WITH FAMILIES WHILE HERE

SECRETARY FARRIS OF CORPUS CHRISTI EXTENDS INVITATION

Came Here Yesterday and Today is Visiting Militia Camps and Distributing Literature Among Officers.

Secretary E. N. Farris of the Corpus Christi Commercial Club, one of the live wires of the "Naples of the Gulf," arrived yesterday afternoon and will remain here several days. In Secretary Farris the live and progressive people of Corpus Christi have a booster that is always on the job, and when it comes to telling people what Corpus has and what the city will later have, the commercial club secretary is a man possessed of a facile manner that convinces one instantly that the seaside city is a "live number."

This morning when called on at the Bender Hotel by the Times reporter and asked as to his mission to Laredo at this time, Secretary Farris said: "I have come here to personally call on the officers of the militia organizations and invite them to visit Corpus Christi with their wives or families when they get a vacation. We want them to come down to Corpus and enjoy our sea-breeze, take a plunge in the best bathing surf on the American continent and sail and fish to their heart's content. I am from Missouri myself and when they told me first about Corpus Christi I said 'I would have to be shown.' Well, the people of Corpus 'showed me' their advantages and other things with which nature endowed the place, and now I am boosting for Corpus and will get the militia officers and their families to visit the prettiest seaside city in Texas while they are down on the Texas border."

Mr. Farris brought with him a large bundle containing illustrated folders showing colored views of Corpus Christi and its attractive places, and a booklet also containing a number of beautiful halftone views showing street scenes, opulent residences, bathing and fishing scenes, etc. This literature will be distributed among the officers of the three militia camps in the northern portion of Laredo. A number of the officers have already promised Mr. Farris to visit Corpus Christi on some of the week-end excursions from this city.

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MATEO LOPEZ, 7-25-31.

## LITTLE LOCALS

—One more month ahead of us and then the luscious hivalas will be in season again. As only months containing the letter "R" are months in which oysters can be sold, many people will begin "whetting their chops" by this time next month in anticipation of "oysters a la fry" or "a la stew."

—DISTRICT AGENTS, KLEENUP HAND CLEANSER, in collapsible tubes. No water needed. Autoists will over it. For territory write KLEENUP CO., Station E, Toledo, O.

—The county Democratic convention will be held at the district court room in the courthouse this evening beginning at 8:10 o'clock. All those named as delegates from the various precincts of the county should attend the convention, as a county executive committee is to be named and delegates selected to the state and district conventions to be held in August.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-ff.

—The public execution of General Santiago Ramirez on one of the Saltillo plazas appears to be but another illustration of the saying that there is nothing in a promise made and guaranteed "assured" by the Carranza government. And still this country continues "negotiating" with Carranza. People on the border and people in Washington look at the Mexican situation differently.

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## SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt Editor . . . Phone 70

## SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.

Red Cross Class in First Aid met at Elk's Hall at nine o'clock sharp in the morning. Mrs. R. K. Mims entertained at nine thirty o'clock with auction bridge, honoring Miss De Rosette Thomas of Tucson, Arizona.

Sunday.

The Junior League will meet at the Methodist Church at five o'clock in the afternoon. The Christian Endeavor Society will hold their regular weekly meeting at the church at seven o'clock in the evening. The B. Y. P. U. Senior and Junior will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Baptist Church at half after seven o'clock in the evening. Epworth League will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Methodist Church at seven o'clock in the evening.

Monday.

Red Cross Sewing Circle B will meet with Mrs. G. C. Woodman, chairman, at ten o'clock in the morning.

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## This May Interest You.

The Times desires all social items of interest and cordially invites its readers to supply such news to the society editor. Send or phone all items about weddings, parties, visitors, dinners, receptions, bazaars, children's parties, etc. If you are leaving town or returning, or have visitors arriving or departing, The Times will be glad to know it. While names will not be used all written communications must be signed. This is imperative to prevent imposition. Address all society communications to the Society Editor of The Times or phone No. 70 between 7 a. m. and 9 a. m. and 2 to 7 p. m.

## My Mother's Love.

The sweetest blooms that blow in spring  
Are lilac blossoms, dear to me  
As songs my mother used to sing  
And days of happy use-to-be  
They nod, when morning breezes blow,  
And fill the air with sweet perfume  
That mingles me of the long ago,  
And love that lit my mother's room.

It's curious how some little thing,  
A pansy blowing by the way,  
Or just a daisy blossoming,  
Can take me back to yesterday.  
And lilacs, when they scent the breeze,  
I see an old time cottage lit  
With gracious love. What memories  
Are clustering round the door to it!

They ripple round my heart and sing  
The moments gone beyond recall;  
That's why, when flowers come in spring,  
I love the lilacs best of all.

For, when the morning breezes blow,  
They fill the air with sweet perfume  
That mingles me of the long ago,  
And love that lit my mother's room.  
—Jay B. Iden.

## General Mention.

Mr. Ed. Mandertfield will leave the early part of next week for Houghton, Michigan, to attend the reunion to be held at the Michigan State College of Mines.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mims of New Orleans arrived this morning to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Con Mims.

Mrs. H. C. Clark, wife of Brigadier General Clark, commanding the Missouri troops in Laredo, and Mrs. C. C. Farp, wife of Lieutenant Farp, aide-de-camp to General Clark, are in the city for a short stay.

The Misses Irwin and brother, James Irwin, the Misses Hickey and little niece and Miss Dora Becker, expect to return home the early part of the coming week, after a pleasant stay in Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Salisbury and little daughter, June Rose, will leave on the noon train Monday for Houghton, Michigan, where they expect to remain for a month, and will visit their parents. Mr. Salisbury will also attend the reunion of the Michigan State College of Mines, of which he is a graduate; these reunions take place every five years and are looked forward to with much pleasure by those who have been members of the different classes.

Mr. Forrest Morris, after a pleasant visit to his aunt, Mrs. Sam Mackin, has returned to San Antonio.

Mr. Willard Morr will leave the early part of the week for his home in Houghton, Michigan, where he will attend the reunion of the Michigan State College of Mines.

Misses Marguerite Nelson, Edna Brown and Theodora Gullette, who are visiting Mrs. Geoffrey Giles at Hillingdon Ranch, near Comfort, Tex., expect to return home in a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Giles will be in Laredo the early part of August for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Edwards of San Antonio will arrive on Monday on a visit to their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Echols, who have apartments at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Biggio.

Miss De Rosette Thomas leaves tomorrow for a visit to relatives in San Antonio, after which she will return to Tucson, Arizona, where she holds the chair of domestic science and Home Economics in the University of Arizona.

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Mrs. Harriet Richardson Gay and Miss Forest Richardson of Asherton, Texas, and Miss Mae Belle Allen of Calvert, Texas, are in the city guests of Mrs. Gay's cousin, Hon. Asher R. Smith, and have apartments at the Hamilton.

Miss Thomas Honored. Mrs. Royle K. Mims, charmingly entertained at auction bridge this morning in honor of her guest, Miss De Rosette Thomas. The new and beautifully appointed home was artistic with an addition of palms, ferns and potted plants to a color scheme done in the browns. The hall, living room and dining room were thrown into one for the use of the players in the five merry games. The high score was made by Mrs. W. N. Young, who was rewarded with a half dozen cut glass sherbet glasses; the lowest score was made by Mrs. L. Daiches, who was consoled with a box of correspondence cards. The honoree, Miss Thomas, received the guest prize, a box of lovely stationery. Near the noon hour a delicious two-course luncheon was served, in which a color scheme of pink and white was carried out. Those present were: Mesdames Halsell, Young, Brennan, Echols, Hamlin, Diaz, Withoff, May, Daiches, Convery, McComb, Cogley, Morton, J. P. Leyendecker, Ryan, J. S. Penn, Shelby, Joe Moser, L. J. Christen, A. C. Richter; Messrs. De Rosette Thomas, Amar Penn and Jessie Hillert.

## Nurses Club.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held their regular weekly meeting at the church yesterday afternoon at four o'clock. After the regular business session, the missionary program was held. Those present were: Mesdames J. O. Buenz, Burnett, T. A. Bunn, Evans, Weinert, A. G. and J. K. Thompson, W. H. Mims, Tillman, and Misses Smith and Byerly.

## Red Cross Notes.

Mrs. A. C. Richter was at home yesterday morning to the members of Red Cross Sewing Circle A, and the ladies of the army. The meeting resolved itself into a most delightful porch party, the wide galleries being most attractively arranged for the reception of the guests and the green porch shades and potted plants made a charming setting for the gathering. The members finished a number of articles for the completion of the box. Comfort bags, filled with useful and necessary articles, were also made. The members will start on another box next week, the meeting will be on Tuesday morning at nine o'clock. The members of the circle present were: Mesdames Weber, Sharkey, Pinder, Schmidt, and Miss McMinis. Mesdames T. Biskamp, A. Huberich, and Charles Richter hosted the circle yesterday, and the guests present were: Mesdames R. A. Brown, Kacey, Hunt, Reese, Forebaugh, Coulter and Morris. Delicious refreshments were served.

## Entertainment.

Misses Belle and Lillian Westbrook were hostesses to the Girls Splash Club yesterday morning at Belle Vista. After a plunge in the pool, a salad course was served to Mesdames E. Slinmyer, Mackin, Westbrook, Joe Moser, H. Cluck, J. B. DaCam